





# Airman Could Not Marry Vicar Said "I Refuse"

SEVENTEEN-YEARS-OLD MISS PEGGY DEEKS, OF STAINES-ROAD, ASHFORD, MIDDLESEX, HAS BEEN REFUSED PERMISSION TO MARRY IN THE PARISH CHURCH BY THE VICAR, THE REV. ERNEST STREETE—BECAUSE SHE HAD NOT BEEN BAPTISED IN THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

Her fiance, 21-years-old Aircraftman Alfred Miles, cannot now be married before he goes abroad. They have had to postpone their wedding until he can get 24 hours' leave.

"My mother went to see Mr. Streete," Miss Deeks said, "and he flatly refused to consider marrying us unless I was baptised. Alfred is already baptised in the Church of England, and the vicar offered to baptise me straight away."

"But I felt so insulted that I refused. Now we shall try to be married at some other church, and, if nobody will do that, we shall go to a Register Office."

"I felt just as though he had told me I was not a fit person to be married in the Church of England. My family are Baptists, and we are baptised according to our own rites, but that was not enough for Mr. Streete."

## Why He Refused

Mr. Streete said: "I refuse to marry any couple unless they prove that they have been baptised according to the rites of the Church."

The printed form issued to intending brides applying at Ashford Vicarage states:

"No marriage will be solemnised unless both parties are baptised. Marriage in a Register Office meets the case of unbaptised persons."

## German Navy Plans Base in The Pacific

ROTTERDAM. THE German Admiralty is preparing plans, in conjunction with Japanese naval officers, to use the Caroline Islands as a base for German raiders in the Pacific, it is learned from Berlin.

Plans have not yet received the approval of Tokyo, and, in view of the attitude of Japan to the Russo-German agreement, the idea may not receive the welcome which Germans and their Japanese friends in Berlin expect.

The Carolines, once German, have

is this man's name. Hitler's personal photographer, he was promoted to organise a picture propaganda department for all Nazi Germany.



## HOFFMAN Took This

typical propaganda picture of Hitler as "the Friend of the Children." It was his special job to present the Führer in the most favourable light.



# Three Plots In a Year

CONFIRMATION of reports of an ever-growing spirit of revolt and anti-Nazi unrest in Germany, even among Hitler's trusted Black Guards and Gestapo (secret police), is given by the Swedish Press, which reveals that two plots against Hitler's life were discovered prior to the recent Munich beer cellar explosion.

At a meeting of the German Supreme Defence Council recently, presided over by Field-Marshal Goering, it is stated, the Nazi provincial governors complained of increasing dissatisfaction among young Nazis and passive resistance by workers, and they took a serious view of the growing influence of the anti-Hitler Black Front led by Herr Otto Strasser.

That the Nazi leaders fear a revolution is suggested by reports that several of them, including Hitler, the Gestapo chief, have sent their wives abroad.

The second anti-Hitler plot was discovered at the end of August and among 100 persons who were arrested were Hitler's trusted Black Guards, Brown Shirts and members of the Hitler youth.

Many members of the Nazi Storm Troops and Gestapo have been charged with treason in recent weeks. It is stated, and a number of mysterious clashes among S.S. men is said to have led to several murders and suicides.

The Daily Mail quotes the Rome radio as reporting that Frau Hitler distributed flowers to injured soldiers in Italy.

The secret anti-Nazi German Freedom Station declares that the wives of several other Nazi leaders have left Germany.

Frau von Ribbentrop, wife of the German Foreign Minister, has left for Brazil.

Frau Goering, wife of the Nazi Air Minister and Hitler's successor No. 1, and Frau Goebbels, wife of the German Propaganda Minister, have gone to Switzerland; Baroness von Neurath, wife of the Nazi Protector of Bohemia and Moravia, has also left the Reich.

## TO PUBLIC SCHOOL

"As I see things," he said, "the only way for a production engineer to get his qualifications is through hard experience in business and the shops."

"Much as I think of a university education, I cannot see how that can be obtained in a university."

"I had no teaching as a production engineer. I started myself at the age of 15, and I had from that time onwards to glean what I could to carry on business."

"If I had a son I would send him to a public school, and if he were going into any of the professions, a university education would be absolutely essential."

"But if he were going to become a production engineer, definitely not."

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1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 London Piano-Accordian Band and Sam Browne (Vocal)—"One Night in Monte Carlo, There'll Never Be Another You, I'm Sittin' High On A Hill Top, My Shadow's Where My Sweetheart Used to be, Roll Along Prairie Moon, Girl With Dreamy Eyes, My Dancer, Easter Parade, Dancing With My Shadow, She Wore a Little Jacket of Blue, Rhythm In My Nursery Rhymes, The Star and The Rose, Hawaiian Paradise, and The Rose, Hawaiian Paradise.

2.15 Close down.  
5.45 Studio—Children's Hour.

6.45 Some Welsh Songs—The Frailty of Life, The Blacksmith's Song, William Edwards, The Little Thatched Cottage, David of the White Rock, Lelin, Megan.

6.55 Closing local Stock Quotations.

7.0 Half an hour of Dance Music.—"I'd Like To See Samoa of Samoan, Lonely Troubadour, Say The Word and I'll Yours, When The Leaves Bid The Tree Goodbye, Bugle Call Rag, Tiger Rag, Star Dust Covered Bundle, Twilight, Jingle Bells, You Were There."

7.30 London Relay—The News, 8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Glazounow—Stenka Razin.—Orchestra of the Brussels Royal Conservatoire.

8.17 Studio—A Bach and Elgar Programme by Peter Gracey (Piano).

8.45 Studio—Talk on "An Englishman's Impressions of Chungking."

9.05 Songs by Keith Falkner (Baritone)—"A Song Doesn't Care, Without The Moon, San Diego Betty."

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 B.B.C. Recording—"Victoria Melodies"—Musical Sequence of Old Favourites. Produced and conducted by Stamford Robinson.

10.30 London Relay—"The Maginot Line"—A feature programme of troops on the Western Front.

11.00 London Relay—"Background to News."

11.10 Close down.

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## Belgian Trade Recovers.

### Political Situation Brings Relief

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". BRUSSELS, Dec. 13 (UPI).—The easing of the political situation in Belgium has been accompanied by an improvement in deliveries of Belgian products to neutral countries as a result of the speeding up of rail and shipping facilities.

Deliveries against orders placed before the outbreak of war are being worked off fairly rapidly, and the fresh demand for metal is clamorous.

### Two Problems Remain

Two problems are not yet fully solved—the shortage of ore supplies and shortage of labour due to the mobilisation of more than 500,000 men.

The home demand for ore has expanded, but owing to defence orders which receive priority, the orders from private consumers are rationed. The best buyers are con. mines and engineering shops. Premiums of 20 francs per ton, or more, are being paid, especially for merchant bars.

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#### COMMON ALLIED EMPIRE TO FIGHT MENACE OF NAZI DOMINATION

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which states that the two governments will share certain items of expenditure.

The contribution of the two governments is fixed on a basis to take account of the national wealth of each.

"In general the French contribution is 40 per cent; and the British 60 per cent."

The intimate co-operation of the Allied Governments is supplemented by the close bonds of organised labour as illustrated by the first meeting in Paris to-morrow of the Joint Anglo-French Trade Union Council, representing 10,000,000 Allied workers.

#### Restoration of Capital SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Dec. 13.—The "Official Journal" has published a modification of the decree covering French bank accounts and financial holdings abroad. Originally all French citizens abroad were required to declare such holdings by December 1. The time has now been extended to January 15, 1940.

The Ministry of Finance explained the move was caused by a fear the premature closing date would interrupt a heavy return of capital to France. Most of this capital could not be seized without a long, difficult process of checking accounts and instituting legal proceedings.

A joint report by Premier Daladier and Finance Minister, M. Paul Reynaud, to President Lebrun recently stated that the "restoration of capital since September 10 has grown so greatly that the reserves have enabled the country to meet all foreign expenditures of the government thus far in the war."

### C. R.

#### PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS

of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 18th day of December, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at To Kwa Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

#### PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements N. S. E. W. feet feet feet feet	Contents in sq. feet	sq. feet	Ann. Rent.	Open Price
1	Kowloon Island Lot No. 4210.	Adjoining Kowloon No. 3020, Kowloon City Board. To Kwa Wan.	As per sale plan.	About 5,000	42	\$12	\$3,750

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of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 18th day of December, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land near Diamond Hill, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

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2	New Kowloon Island Lot No. 186.	South West of New Kowloon Island near Diamond Hill.	As per sale plan.	About 26,100	42	\$150	\$42,610

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of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 18th day of December, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Island Road, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 21 years.

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3	Island Road 10.	Adjoining Island Road.	As per sale plan.	About 27,500	33	\$150	\$3,750

### C. R.

#### Nazi Finance Setback

##### Capital Reserves Now Nearly Exhausted

LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter).—A special commentary issued to-day states that the "Economist" draws attention to the vast increase in private capital issues in Germany since the outbreak of war.

The total industrial capital issues since the end of August considerably exceed 600,000,000 marks for railways whereas in the whole of 1938, private industrial issues only amounted to 107,000,000 marks.

The "Economist" comments that these developments are very important.

##### Exhausted Reserves

1.—That the existing reserve capacity of German industry is almost exhausted, especially that of the electricity industry, railway and rolling stock. Generals, replacements and extensions are so long delayed that it is now unavoidable to divert extensive resources to the large scale capital works;

2.—That the controlled policy of direct State financing of necessary industrial projects has been abandoned.

Nazi extremists are thus defeated and the capital of the market is freed for private industrialists.

#### THE BREMEN

## SUBMARINE APPLAUSED

### Nazi Liner's Escape Aided By Law

LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter).—No official information is yet available as to whether an attempt was made by the British submarine to take the Bremen as a prize.

The German version is that the submarine attempted to attack.

Lord Strabolgi, formerly Lieut. Commdr. Kenworthy, who was on the Admiralty Staff in the last war, upholds the action of the submarine commander in not torpedoing the Bremen.

"We are fighting this war to ensure international law. If there were German aeroplanes in the vicinity, the submarine could not come to the surface and she was precluded by International law from torpedoing the Bremen out of hand while submerged.

"This shows that as naval controllers, submarines are unsuitable unless established international law is disregarded.

The Bremen, however, is of no more use to Germany in a German harbour than she was at Murmansk.

"She is too large to arm as a cruiser, too expensive in fuel and too large to act as a transport."

Lord Strabolgi added that the Bremen had much in her favour in including British warships because of the long nights and the possibility of using Norwegian territorial waters.

##### Another Ship Escapes

LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter).—The Norddeutscher Lloyd announces the safe arrival of the liner Bremen at Bremerhaven, and it is claimed that another German liner, New York, has reached Hamburg from Murmansk.

This revelation was made in the House of Commons to-day by the Premier, Mr. Neville Chamberlain.

The White Paper is being prepared by Lord Halifax, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, under whose

initiative the negotiations were conducted.

"The White Paper is now in preparation," Mr. Chamberlain said.

"This necessarily will take some time, but the Paper will be laid before the House as soon as possible."

### C. R.

## Successful Convoying

### Achievements Of The British System

LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter).

—Authoritative circles in London emphasise the efficiency and wide extent of the British convoy system, which gives the protection of powerful units of the British Navy to neutral merchant vessels trading with

The safe arrival of hundreds of convoys does not constitute news, precisely because it is not sensational evidence of the strength of the British Navy, but only the normal process of international trade.

##### Absurd Assertion

The recent sinkings of British and neutral vessels, on the contrary, are of sensational news value used by German propaganda in an attempt to prove that the convoy system is not safe for neutrals, whereas neutral ship-owners, whose ships arrive safely week after week, know this assertion to be absurd.

Neutrals charter their ships to the British Government to travel in convoy because it is easier for German submarines to torpedo unaccompanied ships than to attack a convoy and risking depth charges from the escorting vessels.

The German public, however, is being told that the extra supplies are due to the fact that the warehouses are overflowing.

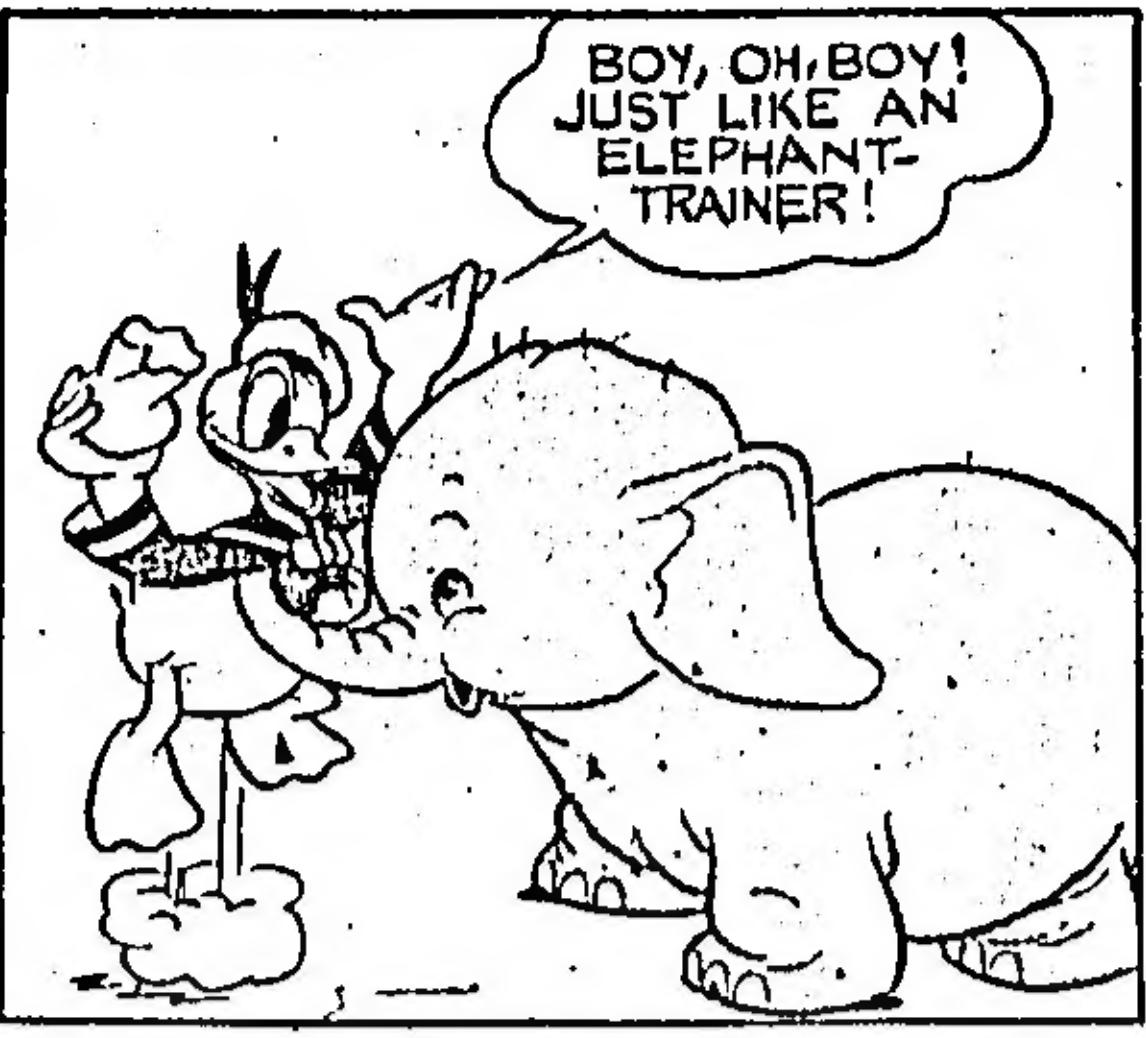
### C. R.

## Nazi Wheat Rotting

New Food Problem

Presents Itself

## DONALD DUCK



By Walt Disney



## THE 5TH A. A. HAS ITS BAPTISM

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scopes in the height-finder and predictor.

There is little need to dwell on the routine of Camp. It is well known to most people by now, but in the 5th A. A. Battery, from the Battery Commander down to the lowest Gunner there was a pleasant atmosphere of comradeship. We were only eighty strong. We messaged together, and there was only one centrent. Never for one moment was there any overwhelming feeling of inferiority.

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There were the usual murmurs about food, but still it was put away in enormous quantities. The Orderly Officer's duty was a mere formality. The greatest need was for a bath. The weather was with us on this occa-



tion, and Shek-O beach was at our doorstep, but there were yet a number who could not be tempted into the sea, and who consequently spent a bath-less week.

We transferred from ground sheets to camp beds following the discovery of several eight- or nine-inch centipedes in the sand, while mosquitoes did not make an appearance until late in the week, when it was too late for them to do any damage, but I can still taste the quinine!

## SESSIONS CALENDAR

Following are the cases to be tried at the Criminal Sessions which begin to-morrow.

Wong Chau, manslaughter; Wai Mu, manslaughter; Wong Wing, So Man, Leung Sung and Ma Lai, possession of dangerous drugs; Chung Wan-ching, manslaughter; Wai Tin and Ho Hung, armed robbery; in dwelling; Pu So, Lo Yee, Yu Fun and Yau Kin, robbery; Wong Yau, Chan Hin, possession of arms and ammunition; Chong Pak-chung, uttering, falsely, by forged bank-note, forged check; Chiu Kit and Kwok-shun, robbery; unlawful possession of arms and shooting with intent; and Tsang Pui, Wong Chiu, Lau Yiu, Li Man and Wan Wan, breach of the deportation order.

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He referred to Vincent Crompton, a 36-year-old seaman, who, the police disclosed, was not an Irishman at all—having been born in Manchester—and had been in the United States Army, the British Army and the International Brigade in Spain.

Crompton was sentenced to 20 years' penal servitude for conspiracy, possessing explosives, causing an explosion and attempting to cause an explosion.

## To Clean Girl

The man who disowned him was Christopher Kenneally, 19-year-old labourer, who was sent to a Borstal institution for three years for conspiracy and causing an explosion.

John Curney (27), labourer, and George Whittaker (30), clerk, were each sentenced to seven years' penal servitude. Both were found guilty of conspiracy, Curney of causing an explosion and Whittaker of possessing explosives.

Crompton, made a plea for Jean Dobson, 19-year-old milliner, who was found guilty of conspiracy and possessing explosives.

He said he had used the girl for the purposes of the I.R.A. and got her to pose as his wife to annoy authorities.

Whittaker said the girl was "quite innocent of anything in the nature of bombs."

Sentence on her was postponed.

Terence O'Hanlon, a labourer, was acquitted on all charges and discharged.

## "Frame-Up"

Sentencing Kenneally, the Judge said: "This country is at war to establish the right of the individual to think as he thinks right."

"Do you really think that the best way to achieve what you honestly think is right—a united and independent Ireland—is to blow up pillars, pylons, bridges, post offices in a populous town, destroying letters and maybe lives?"

Kenneally said: "To-day England and France are united in the efforts to restore Poland and Czechoslovakia. They also say that they are saving the human race from aggression. No country under God's sun has suffered more from aggression than my country has."

To Crompton the Judge said: "You are not even Irish. For what motive you embarked on the series of abominable crimes of violence of which you are apparently rather proud of the situation is rotten."

## CAMPAIGN OF HATE

Nazi Bitterness Against Britain

**THE HAGUE.** Incidents of the unrest in the Greater Reich pass unnoticed in the German Press. Instead the papers are filled with reports about unrest in Wales and alleged anti-Jewish demonstrations in London.

"Britain must be destroyed" is now the watchword in Germany. The public is told that Britain and France are preparing a "second Versailles" and are determined on the partition of Germany in the event of an Allied victory.

"With all the moral and material resources of a nation of 80,000,000 people," declares the "Westdeutsche Landeszeitung" to-day, "we shall carry on the struggle against British world domination and the German people will not lay down its arms until its goal has been reached. The tyranny of England must be broken and we shall break it. Let London take note of that."

The German Ministry of Agriculture reports a "new and great success in the fight against the British blockade."

Crops Above Average

The potato and sugar beet crops are, it is stated, well above the average. While the public is thus assured that Germany can never be starved out, figures recently published in the "Frankfurter Zeitung" give a less rosy picture of Germany's general foreign trade. The paper calculates that as a result of the war and the blockade Germany will lose 50 per cent. of her normal imports and 48.7 per cent. of her exports.

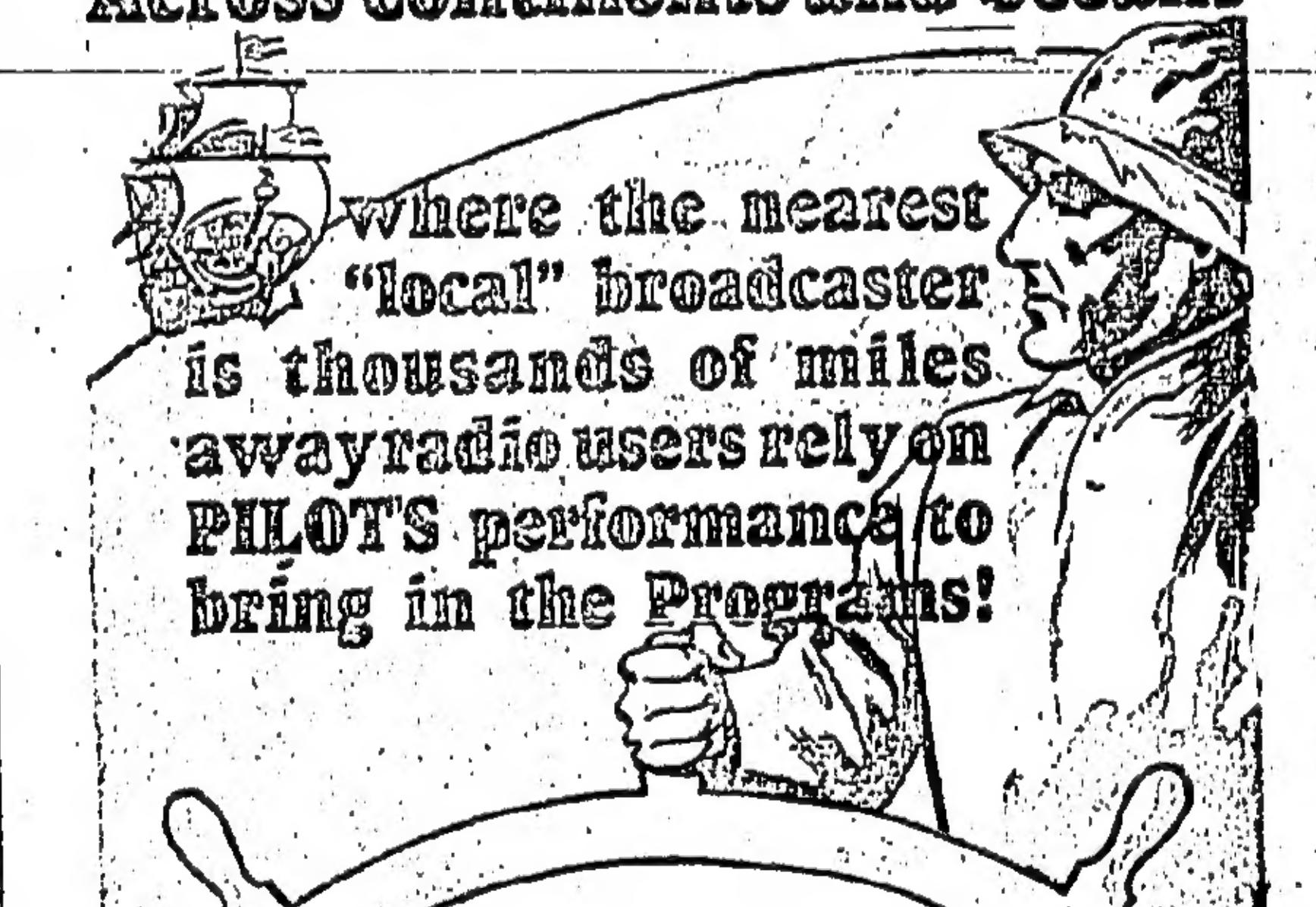
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**War On Finland**

IT has only needed the League of Nations to complete the history of one of the most remarkable volte faces in history—the swing from all the pretty, fine ideas about resistance to aggression which Russia had for some years championed—and convinced that we others did not sufficiently support.

The pact with Germany and the quickly succeeding invasion is naked expediency regardless of all right and wrong. Germany's war is Russia's opportunity. Russia desires Finnish territory for her own purposes. Therefore Finland's independence and integrity must be destroyed; she must be ruthlessly invaded; shells and bombs must be dropped on her peaceful towns. Thus the new Russia demonstrates the principles of—her—policy—towards—the small countries, towards the rules of international law and honest dealing, "with particular force."

Russia desires to secure herself against attack both on the Black Sea front and in the Baltic. She says that she fears for Leningrad; she is determined to make herself mistress, as indeed she is already, of the Gulf of Finland and hence of the whole Eastern Baltic. For this purpose she forced concessions from the Baltic States, which control the southern approaches to the Gulf. In the process, however smooth her words, she broke their independence; they are without powerful friends, they are completely at her mercy. Finland was of tougher stuff. Throughout the long negotiations that ended a few weeks ago she was conciliatory but firm. On some things she would yield but she would surrender nothing that could be used to destroy her independent life; she would not concede a base on her own mainland nor abandon the fortified positions opposite Leningrad on which her own defence depends. Therefore Russia, having determined to get her way even at the cost of war, has during the last ten days sought to make out a "case" against the victim. The model was Nazi, the imitation poor. The Finnish people number three and a half millions, which is about the size of Leningrad; the Russians are more than 150,000,000. But the Finns, it seems, were plotting to make war on mighty Russia. What is more, they were brutally attacking the Russian Army along the frontier. Nor did the Finnish lamb show its teeth out of the mere viciousness innate in the species, though that would have been bad enough. It had surrendered itself to the evil promptings of "Imperialist" Britain, and everywhere that Britain went the lamb was sure to go. This being the official nursery tale, all the attempts of Finland to offer peaceful measures were rejected out of hand. The frontier disputes could have been investigated, arbitration could have been invoked. Finland offered both and was refused. The United States was ready to mediate and said so; that escape also from the brutality of war was rejected at Moscow. History does not contain a clearer case of "unprovoked aggression."

## The King IS 44 To-day

### HERE IS HIS BIRTHDAY HOROSCOPE:

King George the Sixth was born at five past three in the morning on December 14, 1895. Libra was rising in his birth chart, giving him an even temperament, a strong sense of justice, and a well-balanced mind.

At his birth Jupiter, his ruling planet, was on the meridian, a very fortunate augury for people born at that time.

Sagittarians (and the King appears to be a typical subject) are independent people, instinctively on the side of the down-trodden and oppressed, and they can be very outspoken too when their feelings are roused.

The sun and Mercury in the King's sign bestow a democratic and philanthropic outlook.

## London Diary

### Air Mail News From Home

DR. F. W. ROUTLEY, Canada's Red Cross Commissioner, arrived in London last night from Toronto with his wife.

He has come to discuss the arrangements for the Canadian Red Cross organisation in England with Mr. R. H. Bennett, who recently undertook its chairmanship.

Mr. Bennett is now working in his offices in the Savoy, but his organisation is still in a skeleton stage. It is not likely to get much further until the Canadian Forces actually come over here in several months' time.

Plans, however, have now been completed for the large one-storey hospital which the Canadians are to build on a ten-acre site presented by Lord Astor at Cliveden.

### Managing The Party

THE American broadcaster says that the Premier sees Captain Marston, the Government Chief Whip, every morning at 11 o'clock. They discuss the management of the Conservative Party.

I should say myself that Mr. Chamberlain has more serious matters to dispose of at 11 a.m. than the behaviour of his faithful followers.

The Conservative Party have never been easier to handle than at this moment.

### Visiting War Zone

MR. GILBERT MILLER is one of the privileged Americans who are given permission by their Government to visit the "belligerent zone" of England.

The reason is that he has theatrical interests to look after.

Mr. Miller has been here for ten days and is leaving to-day for New York. He refuses to allow the war to interfere with his business planning. And he proposes to return to London as soon as possible after the New Year.

Indeed, his interests in London began in war-time. For the first play he put on here was "Daddy Long-Legs," in 1916.

### In Italy Now

He came to England this time by way of Genoa and Rome. He found Italy determined in her neutrality. But there was at the same time strong friendship for England and comparatively little for Germany.

To one porter he said: "The last time I was here the Fuhrer was visiting Rome.

"Our great friend," said the porter—and spat expressively on the ground.

### Big Debate

THE House of Lords is expecting a busy first week of the new session.

On Wednesday Lord Addison is drawing attention to unnecessary interferences by Government departments with the lives and businesses of individuals. His motion is expected to lead to the first important Lords debate of the war. It may last two days.

When Parliament is opened on Tuesday the Address will be moved by Admiral of the Fleet Lord Cork and Mullen and seconded by Field Marshal Lord Milne.

In the first Parliamentary session of the last war it was the junior, not the senior service which enjoyed this honour. The address was moved by Field-marshal Lord Methuen, and seconded by Lord Bryce.

Lord Cork does not often find time to attend the Lords debates, but he was in his place this week, a stately, ginger-headed figure in naval uniform, when the Government statement was made on the reprisals against German mine-laying.

### Private Ingo

DR. INGE'S views on war are vigorously pacifist. He believed in 1914 that we should have remained neutral.

He maintains now that this war is a mistake, and can only open the way for Communism.

All his family, however, do not share his views. And his opinions do not interfere at all with his pride in being the father of Private Edward Ingo.

Mr. Edward Ingo returned home from the Sudan to enlist, having obtained leave from his plantation syndicate with considerable difficulty. And he is now in the Royal Army Service Corps.

### Enjoyment

After 16 years of devoted attention from native servants, Mr. Ingo might be expected to take little pleasure in the tasks of washing up and scrubbing floors. Yet, it is said, he has declared that he has never been so happy.

Dr. Ingo has two other sons and a daughter. The eldest son is with the Burmah Shell Oil Company, and works in Bombay. He is an expert airman, but is not allowed to enlist.

The third son is a curate in a large parish near Leeds, and Miss Ingo is a hospital nurse.

## The 5th A.A. Has Its Baptism

"ACTION . . . PLANE . . . Height control," roars the G.P.O. pointing to the sky.

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And in seven or eight seconds the first shell is on its way to meet the oncoming plane; the whole taking hardly more time than it takes to read these words.

THE 5th A.A. Battery of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps went into Camp at Shek-O on December 2, and stayed for one week, but in that short period proved

their worth beyond even the expectations of their most enthusiastic Battery Commander.

As one of the gunners of the Battery, it is difficult to write of this Camp without opening myself to an accusation of self-praise, but this can be scouted at the outset when I say that in A.A. Gunnery an individual is useless as an individual for ensuring the efficiency of his Section, for this is dependent mainly on team-work.

I am one of the Predictor detachment myself, and am stationed some twenty yards to the rear of the guns. At that moment I entertained a sympathetic regard and a certain admiration for the Gunners who were to sit on the guns and actually send those shells to their destination. But I was later informed that my sympathy was wasted, for the sympathy of the earth and the waves of air were not felt by the Gun numbers, while the explosion was hardly greater when twenty yards nearer the gun.

With an eye glued to the Predictor telescope, and trained on the "sleeve", I was in the fortunate position of being able to watch our bursts in the sky plane.

Though it may be distinctly uncomfortable for the men in the plane to fly over with only navigation

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## Much Done Towards Unification

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It has done more for a practical unification of the country in two years than was accomplished in the previous 20 years, while the fact that the Government was forced to remove to West China made the Chinese aware of the rich mineral and agricultural resources of those districts.

China's permanent problem was not that of the industrial worker but the peasant cultivator. It seemed that his lot has become worse during the past two generations. So long as his present condition remained, China would continue to crumble from the bottom. The peasant cultivator suffered from floods, his methods were pre-historic, and he was shamelessly exploited by the middleman, moneylender and tax collector.

Mr. Tawney did not think it desirable that China's development should proceed on American or German industrial lines. Her right lines was rather on French lines and concentrating on peasant welfare. Her main job after the war will be to organise economic and political systems and at the same time maintaining her own admirable native virtues.—Reuter Special.

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This was revealed by the Japanese spokesman to-day at a Press conference, when he declined to comment on the British announcement.

Asked whether the Japanese naval authorities felt that they should have been consulted on the matter, the spokesman declared, "No, that is a question concerning Great Britain alone."—Reuter.

## Consul Visits Japan

Tientsin, Dec. 13. Major G. A. Herbert, former British Superintending Consul at Tientsin, who has been transferred to Chefoo, will arrive to-morrow morning, accompanied by Mrs. Herbert.

It is understood that the Consul will proceed to Tokyo via Mukden in response to a summons from the British Ambassador at Tokyo, Sir Robert Cradock.

Pointing out that Major Herbert played an important part in the recent Anglo-Japanese parley in Tokyo, informed quarters understand that upon his arrival in Tokyo, the Consul will take part in a reportedly final discussion of the Tientsin Consul problems, including the silver specie issue.—Reuter Special.

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## Now League Council

Geneva, Dec. 13. The League Assembly elected Bolivia, Finland and South Africa as members of the Council for the next three years.

Bolivia was re-elected, Finland succeeds Sweden, and South Africa succeeds New Zealand.

It also renewed the two special Council seats created three years ago, occupied by China and Latvia, to which it is expected that they will be re-elected this afternoon.

The new Council consists of Belgium, Bolivia, the United Kingdom, France, Greece, Iran, South Africa, Peru, Finland, the Soviet Union and Yugoslavia.—United Press.

## Press Suggestion

Oslo, Dec. 13. The *Aften Post*, leading Conservative newspaper, proposes that each member of the League of Nations shall instantly place at the disposal of Finland a fully equipped military unit, representing one per thousand of the population of each country.

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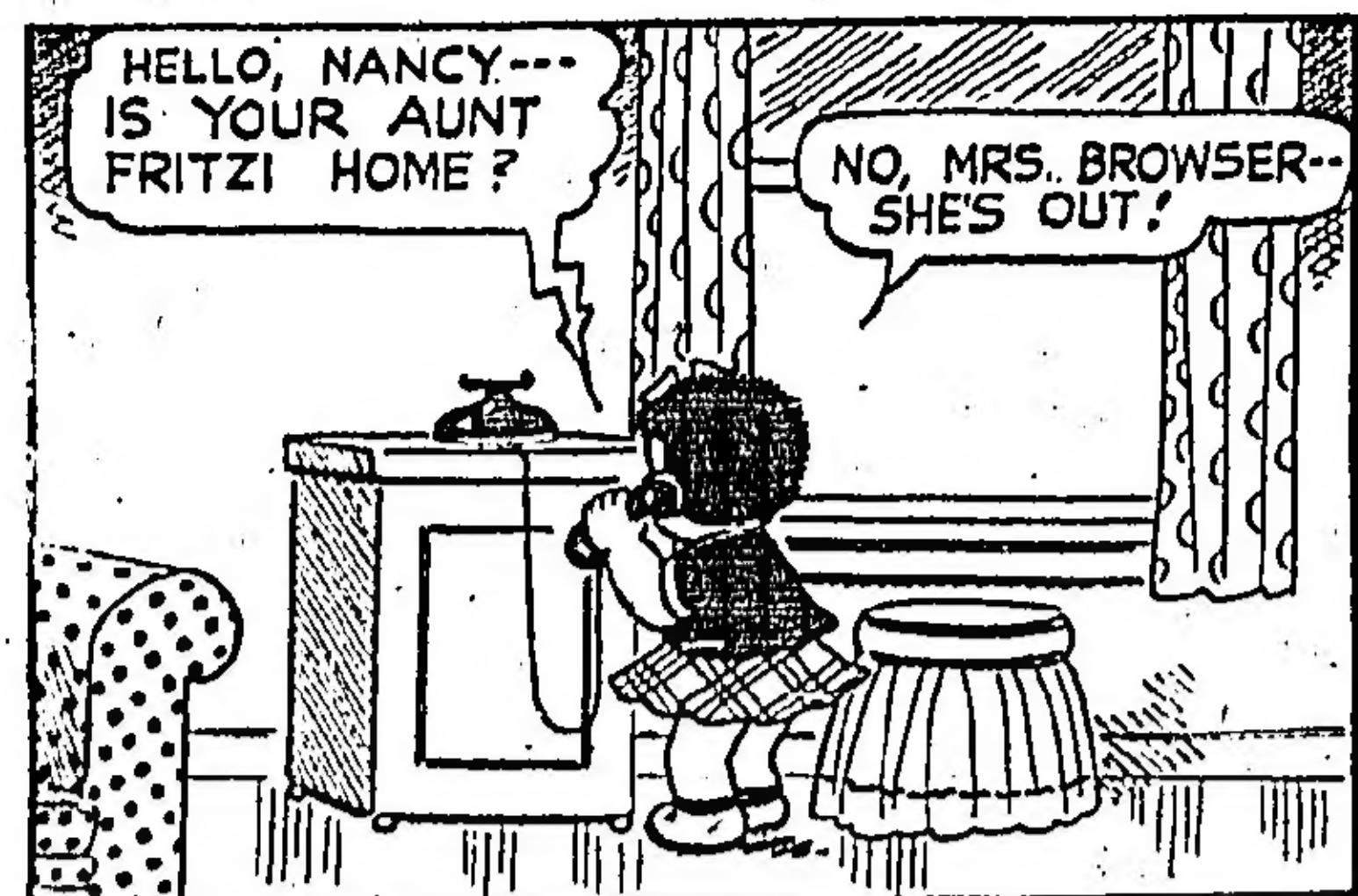
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## If You Know Someone Somewhere In France—

YOU'LL SOON BE ABLE  
TO SEND TELEGRAMSNAZI TO R.A.F.:  
'I SALUTE YOU'

By NOEL MONKS

Daily Mail Special Correspondent with the R.A.F.

A GERMAN pilot sat down to dinner as an honoured guest in the officers' mess of an R.A.F. squadron last night. He had been shot down by one of our Hurricane fighters, but because of the courage he had shown during the action he was invited to dine with the men he had fought.

He shook hands with all his hosts. They toasted him, and he toasted them. Then in the middle of the meal he buried his face in his arms and sobbed aloud.

The pilot who had shot him down led him from the dining room into the lounge. In an embarrassed silence the others continued with their meal.

## "Your Kindness"

Ten minutes later the captured airman returned to his place at the table and, gripping the back of his

chair till his knuckles showed white he said:

"Please forgive me. Your kindness has overwhelmed me. For most of my 31 years I have been taught to dislike the English."

"For these last five years I have been made to hate them. Only yesterday when I took off on this last flight of mine I was told that if the English captured me I should be starved and tortured."

"Instead you have broken me with your kindness. For the rest of my life I will be glad I met you. Gentlemen, I salute you."

As one man the R.A.F. pilots leapt to their feet and acknowledged the salute. The Nazi had given the German military salute, not the outstretched arm of the Nazi Party.

And this is why our fighter squadron asked the Nazi pilot to dine.

## Crew's Parachute Leap

Our Hurricane had been pouring bullets into the Nazi Dornier when smoke started to pour from it. Two members of the crew leapt from it and fell earthwards by parachute. The Dornier was wobbling badly.

The Hurricane pilot swooped low over the enemy and peered into the cockpit. He saw the pilot slumped over the controls and concluded he was dead. But he wasn't, though his machine was almost out of control.

Then the Nazi pilot did an amazingly heroic thing. He got up from the controls and climbed into the gunner's cockpit in the nose of the machine.

In a second he had trained the gun on the R.A.F. Hurricane ahead, and while the Dornier flew along on its own he let loose a stream of bullets at the Hurricane, which, however, was soon manoeuvred out of range.

The Nazi pilot was still at the gun when the machine crashed. He was unhurt. To-day he is a prisoner of war with a new outlook on life and the English.

They will have to be addressed in the same way as ordinary letters to men in the B.E.F. Yes, I know—the address may be a long one and cost money. The Post Office thought of that too, and maybe the address will go free.

They will be handed in at post offices anywhere in Britain, and will be telegraphed immediately to Army P.O. headquarters in France. From there they will go to the front, or wherever it is, by normal delivery.

All this was planned in the first place for hundreds of Tommies who are prospective fathers. Many are now and want prompt news about the new arrival to whom they will one day show their medals.

## News From Mary

So—twenty-four-year-old Mary, of Nodd-street, Nottingham, you'll be able to telegraph him the news. It will be working in plenty of time for you.

In case you don't know Mary... Her boy-husband sat behind me at Gracie Fields' concert, and cried a bit when Gracie sang the song about the little boy who wanted his daddy back for Christmas.

This is going to be a two-way service. To and from the B.E.F. and, as the official announcement will tell you later, it is for urgent messages only.

No decision has been made yet about giving men day or two leave to go home to deal with domestic crises like babies and things. Tommy's French comrades get a day's leave for such happenings.

The Allies add an hour to the war to-morrow at midnight, when the French go into winter-time with us. Good old Entente Cordiale.

OUR GUIDE TO  
THE CINEMAS

"Blonde" (King's): Homely entertainment with an appeal to all types of family audiences. The characters are taken from the famous "Our Gang" strip. The film takes the title with Arthur Lake as her irrepressible young husband.

"Broadway Musketeers" (Majestic): A divorce melodrama which is boredom by violence. Big-bosom dancer reforms and wins her man's wife deserts him for a rotter. With John Litel, Janet Chapman, Margaret Lindsay, Ann Sheridan, and Mario Wilson.

"When To-morrow Comes" (Queen's): Return screening of a particular and appealing and enthralling film. Excellent performances by Charles Boyer, Irene Dunne and Barbara O'Neill.

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Advertisements, posters or tickets to the effect that proceeds of certain entertainments, bazaars, etc., will be donated, partly or fully, to the fund should kindly be submitted in the first instance to the office of the Hon. Secretary, Government House.

The Committee for the Fund is deeply appreciative of all such kind and generous efforts and sincerely trust that entertainment organisations will conform to these requirements.

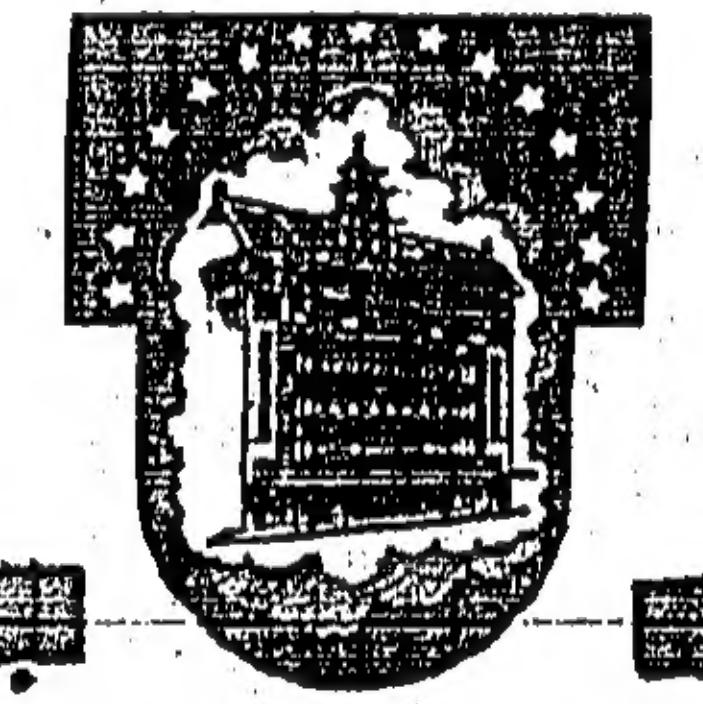
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Of course, you mean to make a real success of your Christmas gift buying this year.

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You want your gifts to reflect sound judgment, to show your friends that you know exactly what is likely to please them most. And certainly you are not going to jeopardise this fine resolution by leaving matters to the last moment.

If that is the spirit in which you address yourself to the annual problem of gift buying, you will be open to ideas from every quarter.

The first suggestion is to try to put yourself in the place of one of the recipients in turn.

If you were in his (or her) shoes what would you appreciate most? Here you have to take into account such things as temperament, domestic circumstances, hobbies and other interests.

THINK . . . LOOK . . . CHOOSE

It is quite impossible to give a list of all the items likely to fit best into your list of Christmas gifts until all these considerations have been duly weighed.

A good plan is to begin, as suggested, by thinking of likely personal needs. Nearly everyone to whom you wish to give a Christmas present is one that you know well, and the only difficulty is when people seem to have everything they need.

Still, there may be something they could do with in the home or garden, or, failing this, you will have to seek inspiration from the new season's novelties.

When you have taxed your imagination to the full, go out to the shops and stores and see the thousand and one attractive and useful items which had not occurred to you. Make a note of some of the brightest ideas which you are able to spot in the window and counter displays.

There are so many you cannot examine them all closely on your really matters.

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#### SUGGESTIONS CLOSE AT HAND

AND THE BEST TIME FOR REFLECTION IS TO-DAY, WHEN YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO FIND A FEW SPARE MINUTES TO SIT DOWN QUIETLY WITH PENCIL AND PAPER AND MAKE A LIST OF ALL THE PEOPLE TO WHOM YOU WOULD LIKE TO GIVE A CHRISTMAS PRESENT.

ALMOST EVERYONE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY WILL, IN FACT, BE DOING THIS. IF THERE IS ANYTHING IN MENTAL TELEPATHY THE OTHER WILL BE FULL OF BRIGHT IDEAS. SO PUT YOURSELF IN A RIGHT GOOD GENEROUS FRAME OF MIND AND TUNE IN."

#### A GIFT YOU WOULD LIKE

THINK HOW MUCH YOU YOURSELF WOULD APPRECIATE SUCH A GIFT, SAY A CASE OF WINES OR SPIRIT, TO HELP YOU OUT WITH THE ENTERTAINING YOU ARE SURE TO BE DOING OVER THE HOLIDAY AND THE NEW YEAR.

ONE IMPORTANT HINT TO EVERY GIFT BUYER.

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HOW OFTEN THAT TRUTH IS MISINTER-

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2. USE A WELL-SHARPENED CARVING KNIFE AND A CARVING FORK.

3. PLACE THE TURKEY SO THAT THE NECK IS TO YOUR LEFT AND THE "TAIL" TO YOUR RIGHT.

4. START CARVING ON THE ONE LEG SIDE FACING YOU. CUT ONE LEG WORKING FROM THE EDGE OF THE BODY, GENTLY FORCING THE BREASTBONE.

5. REPLACE THE FORK OVER THE TOP OF THE BREASTBONE, SHOULD BE CARVED MORE THICKLY THAN THE WHITE AND SERVED WITH THE WHITE TO EVERYONE.

6. RECARVE THE DARK MEAT OF MEAT, THE DARK MEAT SHOULD BE CARVED MORE THICKLY THAN THE WHITE AND SERVED WITH THE WHITE TO EVERYONE.

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## Consul Tells How He Saved Hundreds

# SNATCHED FROM NAZI TERROR IN GERMANY

By E. P. MONTGOMERY

HOW Britain, through her diplomatic and consular representatives in Germany, helped and comforted thousands of Germans, victims of the tyranny and persecution of their own Nazi Government, was told to me by Mr. R. T. Smallbones, formerly H.M. Consul-General in Frankfurt-on-Main.

Mr. Smallbones saw the terrible effects of the pogrom which raged through Germany against the Jews last November after the von Rath murder.

His report on the Nazi persecutions of the Jews and the cruelties of the Buchenwald concentration camp make some of the most impressive reading in the Government White Paper on the ill-treatment of German nationals issued recently.

### Hide In The Woods

"During the first weeks of the terror," he told me, "we gave sanctuary in the Consulate to hundreds of people who would have been safe nowhere else. Men and women who did not dare to show their faces in the light would hide in the woods by day and creep into the Consulate at night for food and shelter."

"They slept in the halls, in the dining-room, in the kitchen, on the

### MEIN DAMPF

HITLER has sent a corps of 7,000 water diviners to the Siegfried Line, according to a French report from Switzerland.

They have been told to find a remedy for the flooding which has followed the recent heavy rains in several parts of the line.

The German General Staff expressed doubts on the value of the corps, but Hitler silenced their objections.

He reminded them that, in 1918, when "Big Bertha" was set up to shell Paris, water diviners were consulted to ensure that the gun emplacements would remain perfectly dry.

staircase. My wife and daughter, my staff of 11, even my servants, turned to and helped to give them what food and comfort we could.

"Some of us who had seen the sufferings of the people in Germany persuaded the British Government to allow us to grant transmigration visas, which would enable refugees to get out of Germany quickly and to stay two years in the United Kingdom while awaiting an opportunity to emigrate to the United States and other countries.

"Miss Turnbull, the 23-year-old English teacher who had come in to help would stand on a table in the hall to deal with the first rush.

"We instituted a system of numbered metal discs, which Miss Turnbull handed out in order to save people from standing idly in a queue for hours. Each one knew his turn and could go away and come back when his time drew near. "We had 450 of them, and usually they were quickly exhausted so you can judge how many people we were dealing with."

"Miss Turnbull was a miracle of tact and patience, listening to each one's story as if it were the most important of all, sorting them out into the proper categories, directing them to the appropriate office to deal with their cases."

"These 'Letters of Promise' were regarded almost as talismans, for with them the relatives of men in the concentration camps could obtain their release, and possession of them made the holders safe against further molestation by the police and the S.S."

"During the worst of the terror we were besieged with applicants for the letters, often trying to deal with as many as 800 to 1,000 a day.

"People would begin to gather in the Consulate garden long before dawn, and by 9 o'clock, when we opened the doors, there would be hundreds waiting.

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"Her Own Fiance

"One day she had to hand out a number to her own fiance, a German who was trying to get out."

"In the main, the people who came to us were mostly women with husbands, sons or brothers in the concentration camps. Some had to bring their children with them not daring to leave them alone at home."

"All of us had to work long hours to keep abreast of the rush. In addition to the hundreds of interviews daily we had to deal with 200 to 300 applications a day by post."

"My own record, I think, was four days at my desk with six and a half hours' sleep. And the others on my staff worked just as hard, or harder."

"All through November, December and January the persecutions—and our work—went on. Then things became a little easier, because the German-Jewish Aid Committee took over some of the work of investigation into means of subsistence and ultimate destination."

"Even so, we continued right up to noon on September 1, forty-eight hours before war was declared, with our job of trying to give those frightened, distressed and suffering people our help. If I may say so—England's help."

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### OBITUARY

Widow of Former C. P. S.  
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Mrs. Ethel Cameron, widow of Mr. Allan Cameron, former Manager of the Canadian Pacific in Hongkong, died suddenly at her home at Vancouver, recently.

Mrs. Cameron was a native of Owen Sound, Ontario and was known in Hongkong during her husband's period of service in China. After retirement they lived quietly in Vancouver. Mr. Cameron died two years ago.

Surviving Mrs. Cameron is a sister, Mrs. Jean Bewley of London, and a sister-in-law, Mrs. Henry Macaulay, of Vancouver.

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## "TWO FOR TEA"

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M. Pierre Forthomme, the new Belgian Ambassador, and his wife, were received by Her Majesty the Empress Dowager this morning.

Her Majesty also received M. Karl Gustav Idman, the newly-appointed Finnish Minister to Japan.—Dowet.

Amongst them were Chief Inspector Louis Coste, who played an important part in the arrangements for the visit of the King and Queen to New York in June, Second Deputy Commissioner Francis Kear and Capt. George Mitchell, head of the newly-formed sabotage squad.

They spent more than an hour aboard the two liners, discussing the situation with the officers, and when they left the regular guard of 15 policemen was increased to 30.

Companies Warned

Two police launches were assigned to constant duty at the piers, and arrangements were made for regular rounds of inspection by detectives.

People driving cars along the street running past the Cunard, White Star and French Lines piers were prevented from stopping in the immediate vicinity and pedestrians were directed to the side of the street furthest from the bank of the River Hudson.

The Cunard, White Star and French Lines in New York complained the reports that they had been warned of a possible sabotage attempt.

Both ships have skeleton crews aboard. The Queen Mary has been painted battleship grey since the war started, while the Normandie has been literally packed in mothballs in expectation of a long period of inactivity.

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**British Anti-Aircraft Work In France**

**MEN WHOSE LIVES ARE SERIES OF ALARMS**

By E. A. MONTAGUE

Somewhere in France. I saw this morning by practical example why it is so difficult and dangerous for German 'planes to come reconnoitring over our Army area. I had gone to visit an anti-aircraft battery which protects a valuable railway station from air attack, and had splashed my way through the mud to where one of its sections was located.

Suddenly the section commander broke off his explanations to blow three blasts on his whistle; the section observers had seen a 'plane. Gunners rushed out of their dug-outs and manned the guns. The men at the height-finders and predictors shouted strings of incomprehensible figures and the guns obediently swung round in concert, searching for the 'plane, so distant that I could hardly see it. Within a few seconds of the alarm they were on the target, and following its course ready to fire the instant that it was identified as an enemy. In a minute or two, however, the section commander lowered his glasses and gave the order "Stand easy." It was a friendly 'plane, and the gun crews went back to their dug-outs to wait till the whistle should call them out again.

MANY ALARMS

That is the daily routine of one of the most uncomfortable jobs in the Expeditionary Force. Always the observers, taking half-hour shifts turn and turn about, are sweeping the sky with their glasses. As soon as a 'plane is sighted, however far away, they give the alarm, and the section stands to. Not until the section commander has identified the 'plane as harmless is the tension relaxed. On a fine day there may be thirty or forty alarms between dawn and dark. I saw three in less than ten minutes, all of them abortive. In the intervals the men have to strengthen their defences and keep their dug-outs in good repair. On a hot day there are few alarms, but most work is also impossible, so that boredom takes the place of constant, jerky activity.

The anti-aircraft gunners have been issued with a higher proportion of gumboots than any other branch except the signallers, and they need them. The gun positions are difficult to hide, and so the gunners have to build dug-outs for their protection against machine-gun attack from the air. In those dug-outs they live throughout a much longer working day than falls to most of us. In some mysterious way they keep warm in their stoves makes them not unpleasant on a winter day, but the ground around them is as muddy as any I have seen in France.

The Other Enemies

Such is the life of the men who keep ceaseless watch and ward over our Army. Their job is a skilled one, involving a good deal of delicate instrument work, and certain parts of it, such as the observing, cannot be done adequately except by certain types of men. Their enemies are mud and boredom - the enemies of everybody, but their great longing is to fire their guns at a hostile target. They have had weeks now of standing to again and again, but the section whom I saw had not yet had a single alarm that was genuine.

They might be excused for relaxing unconsciously, but one sees no signs of it. Their vigilance, and the other systems which exists for reporting all hostile planes, provide together a complete protection against surprise.

In spite of the conditions of their life they seem well and on the whole happy. They get accustomed to dropping a hand of solo in order to rush out of the dug-out, and to shovelling mud which runs off the spade as you lift it. Like nearly all the men here they long for dart boards, and wonder audibly when they are going to see one of these concert parties that the papers are always telling them about.

**CHOLERA INCIDENCE**

Sir Henry Pollock Queries The Government

A question regarding the recent incidence of Cholera in the Colony will be asked by Hon. Sir Henry Pollock at to-day's meeting of the Legislative Council. Sir Henry will ask:

"In view of the statement in the Government Gazette on December 8 that Hongkong is declared an infected port on account of Cholera in Bangkok, Tientsin, Netherlands Indies, Singapore, Federated Malay States, Amoy, Egypt, Palestine, Shimla and the Malabar Islands, will the Government state how many cases of cholera have been reported in this Colony during each of the five weeks up to December 8?"

Also on the agenda is a resolution to be moved by the Attorney General that the style of the offices of the Monopoly Analyst be changed to that of Government Chemist (Monopoly) and of Government Analyst to Government Chemist.

The Attorney General will move the second and third readings of the following Bills:

A Bill to amend the Vegetarian Ordinance, 1897.

A Bill to amend further the Rating Ordinance, 1901.

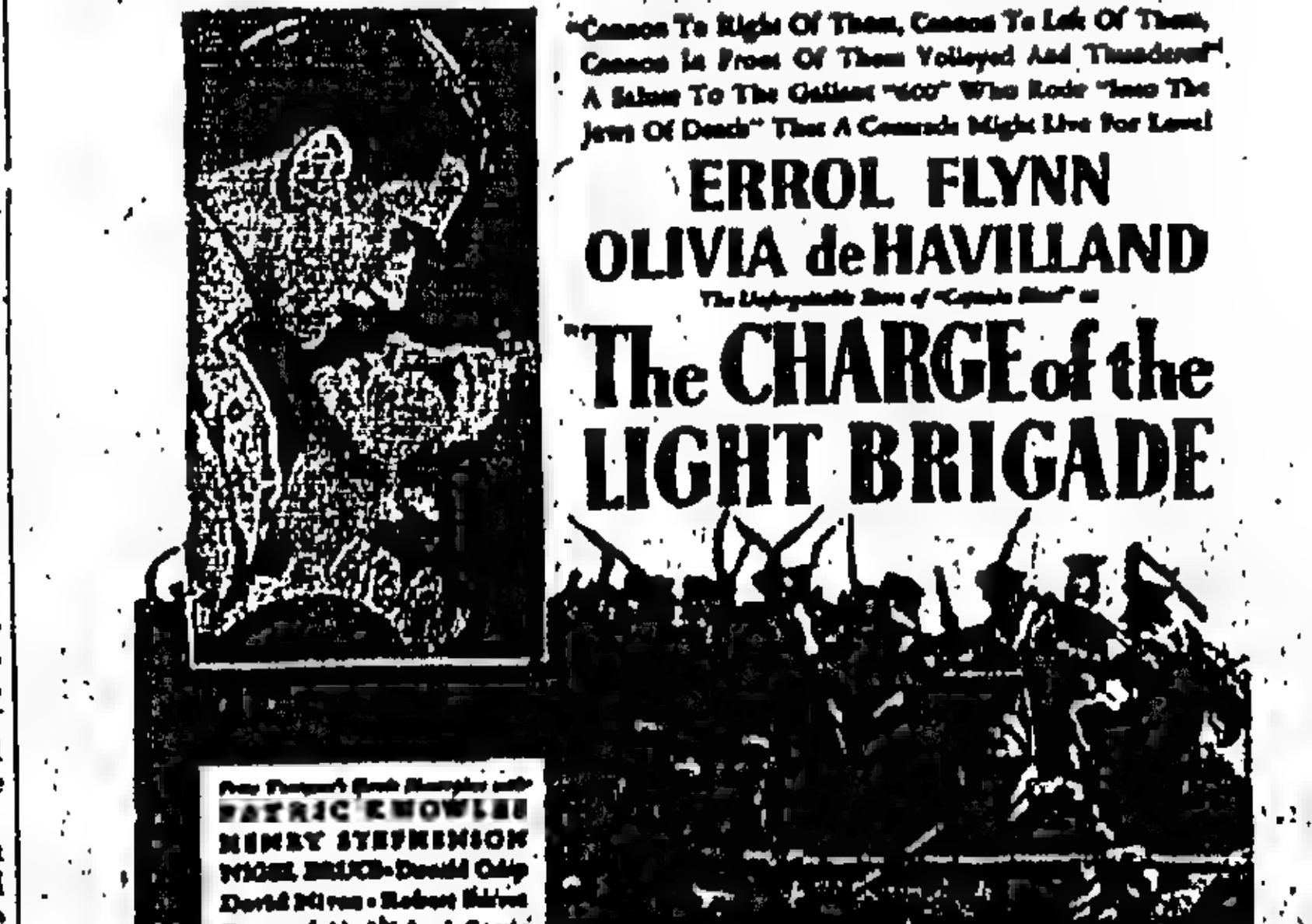
A Bill to amend yet further the Volunteer Ordinance, 1923.

The Attorney General will move the third reading of the following Bill:

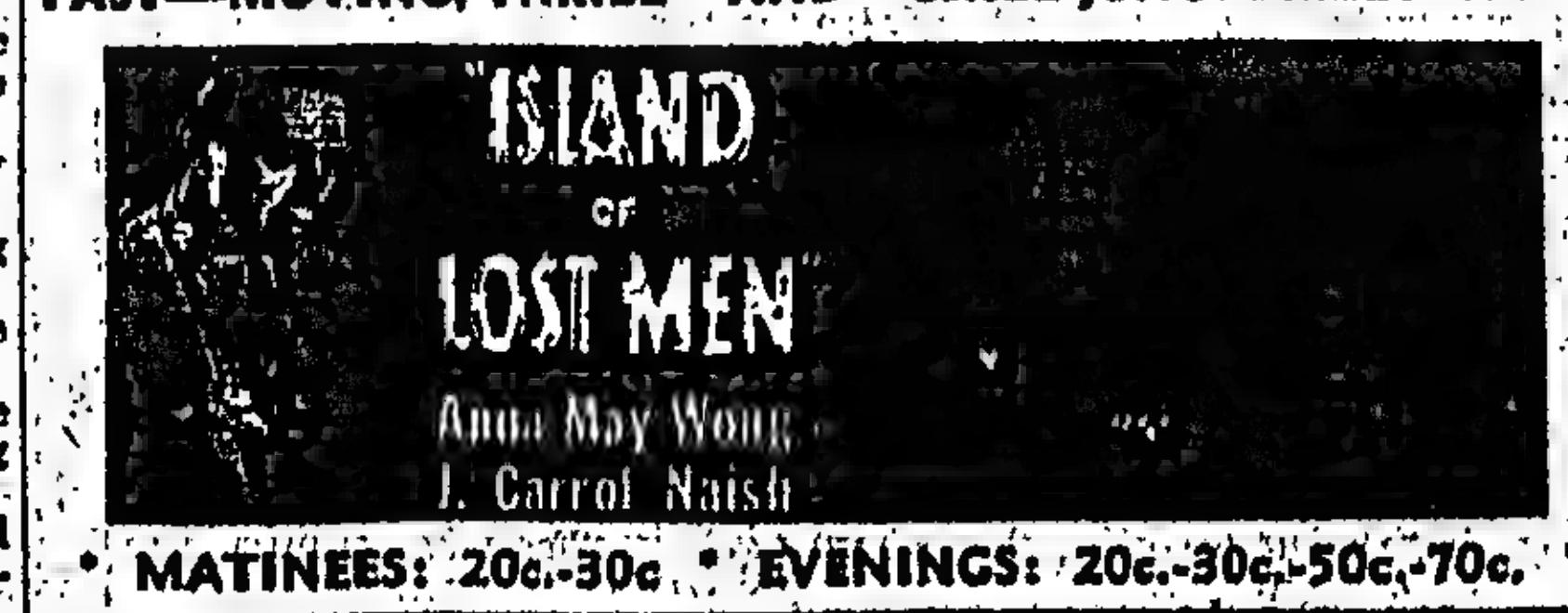
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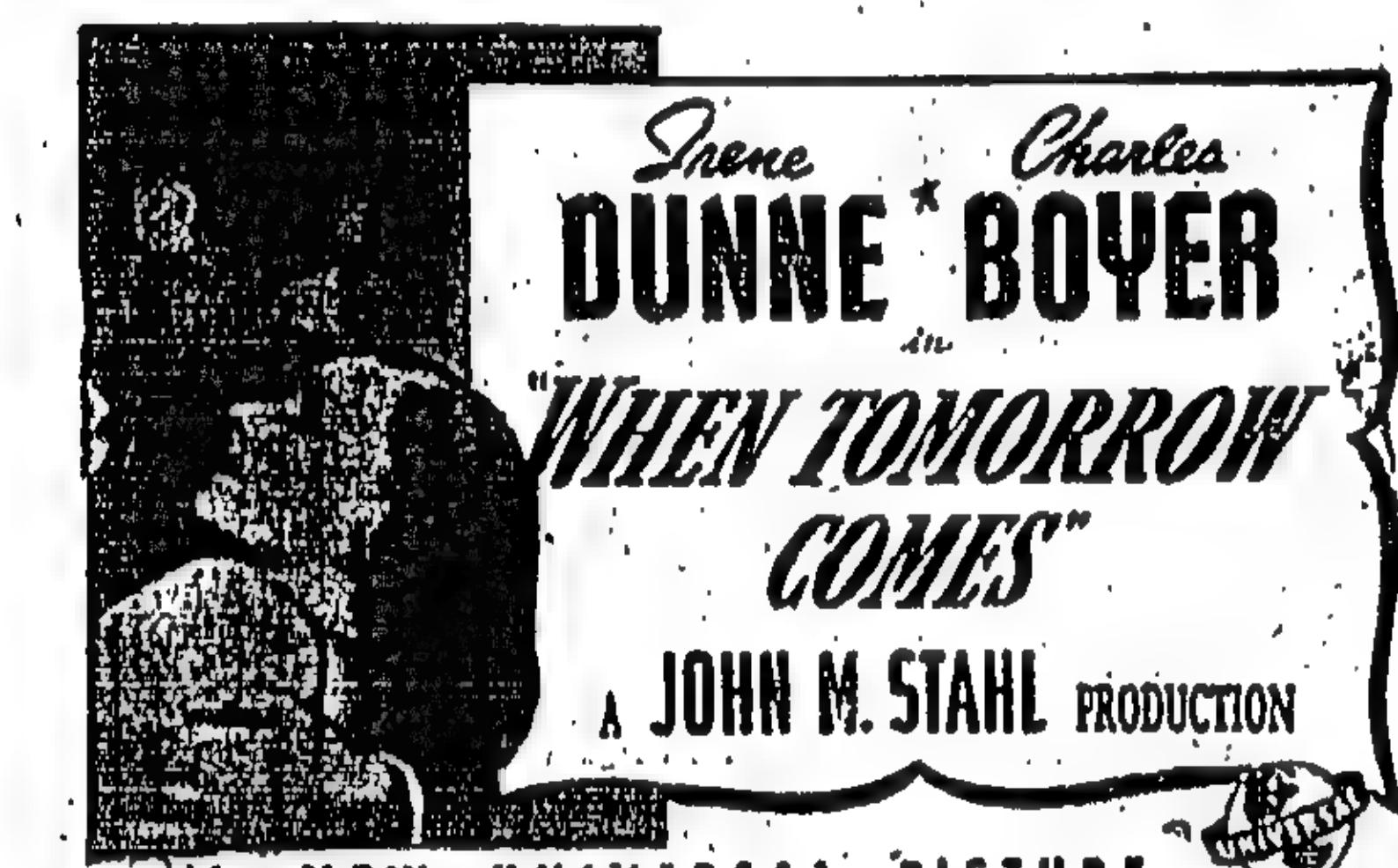
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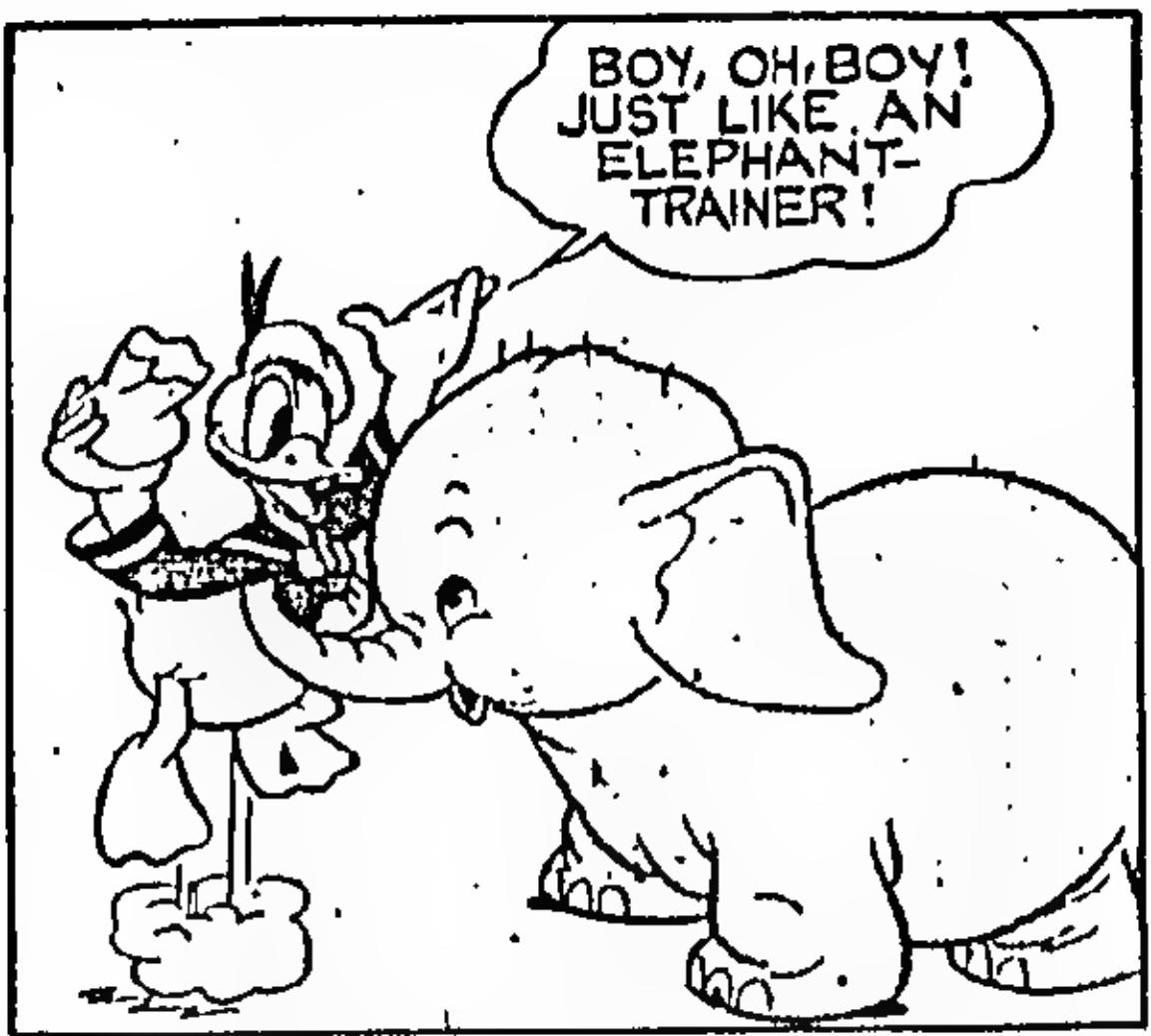
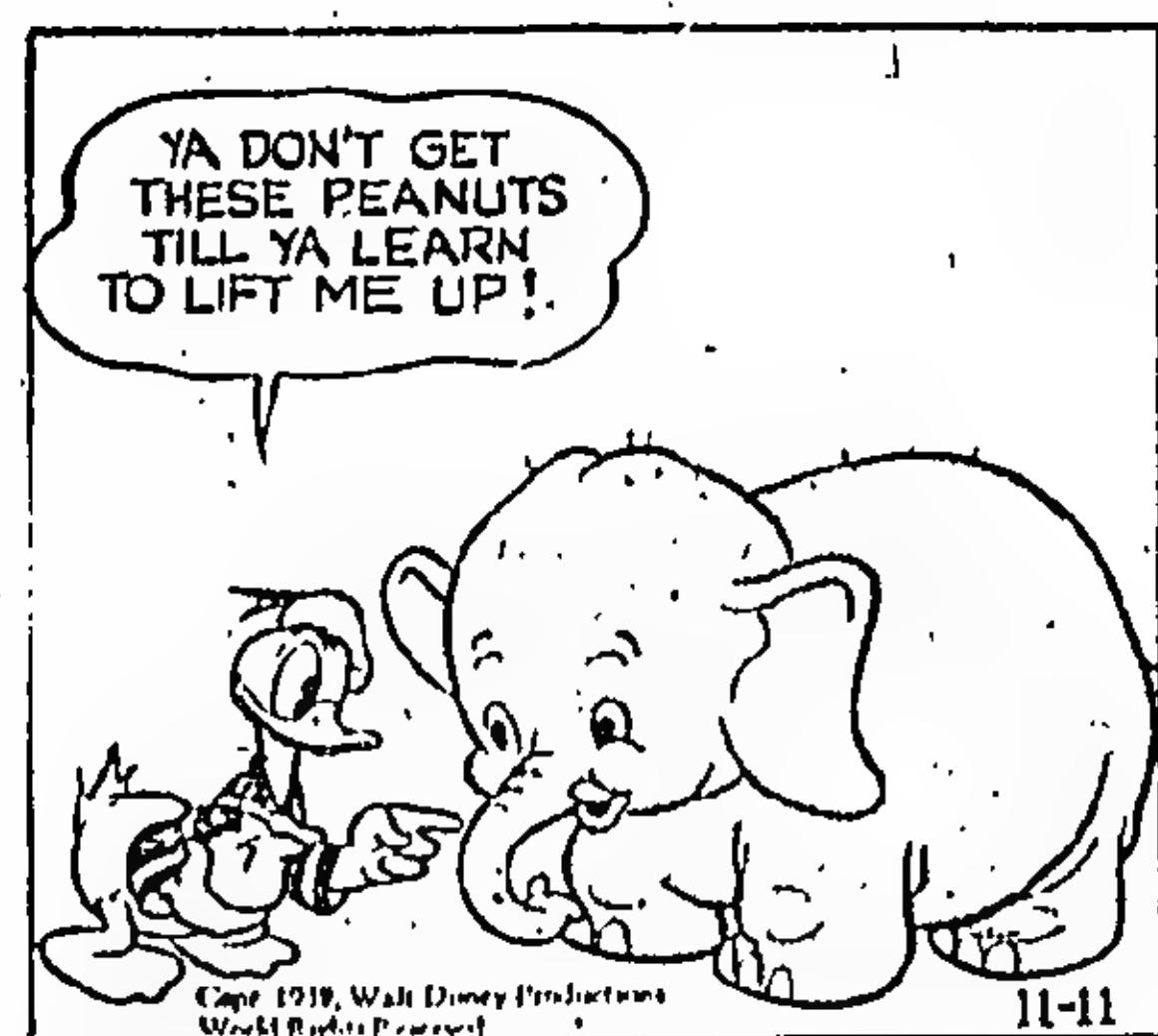




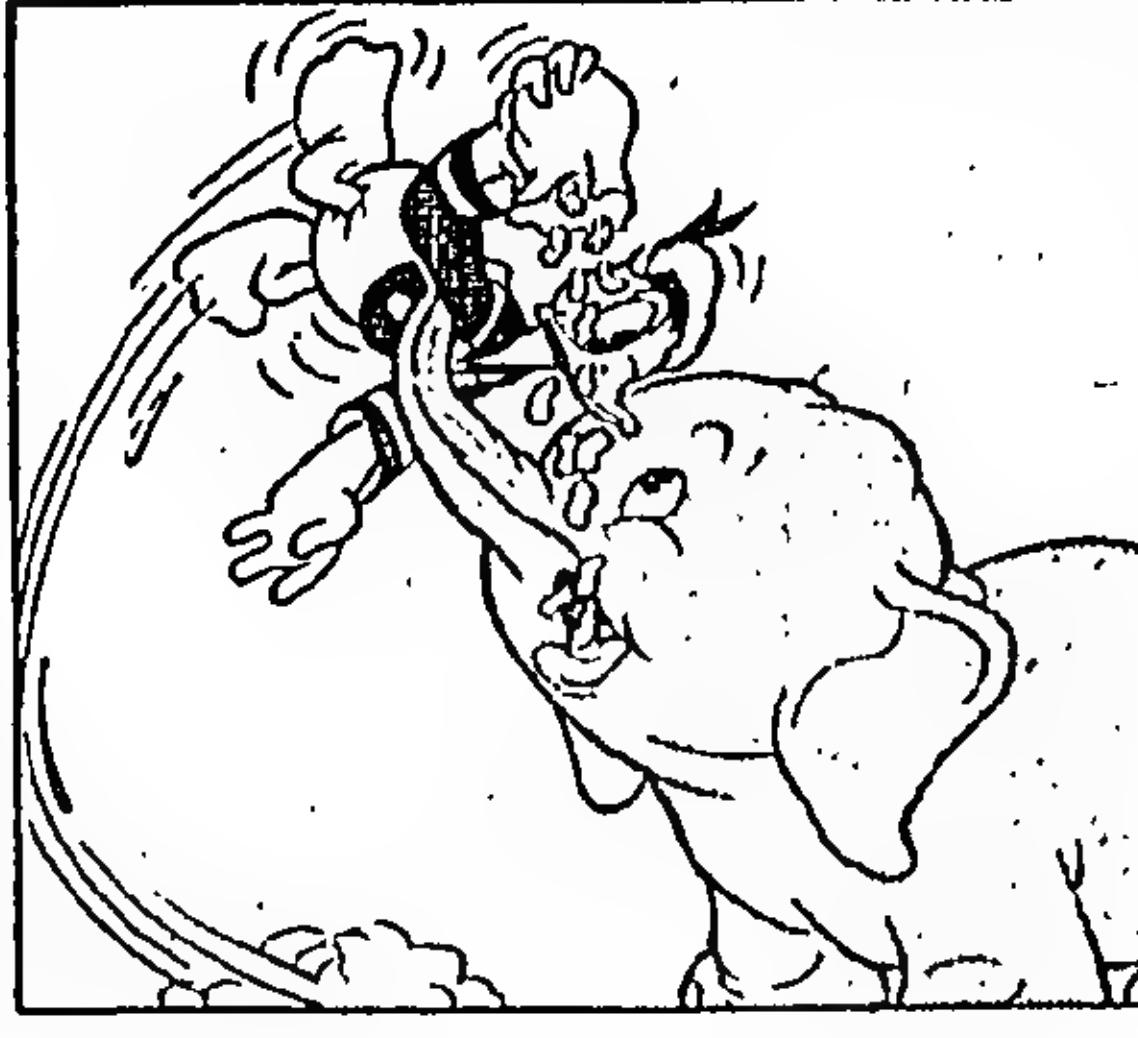




## DONALD DUCK



By Walt Disney

THE 5TH A. A.  
HAS ITS BAPTISM

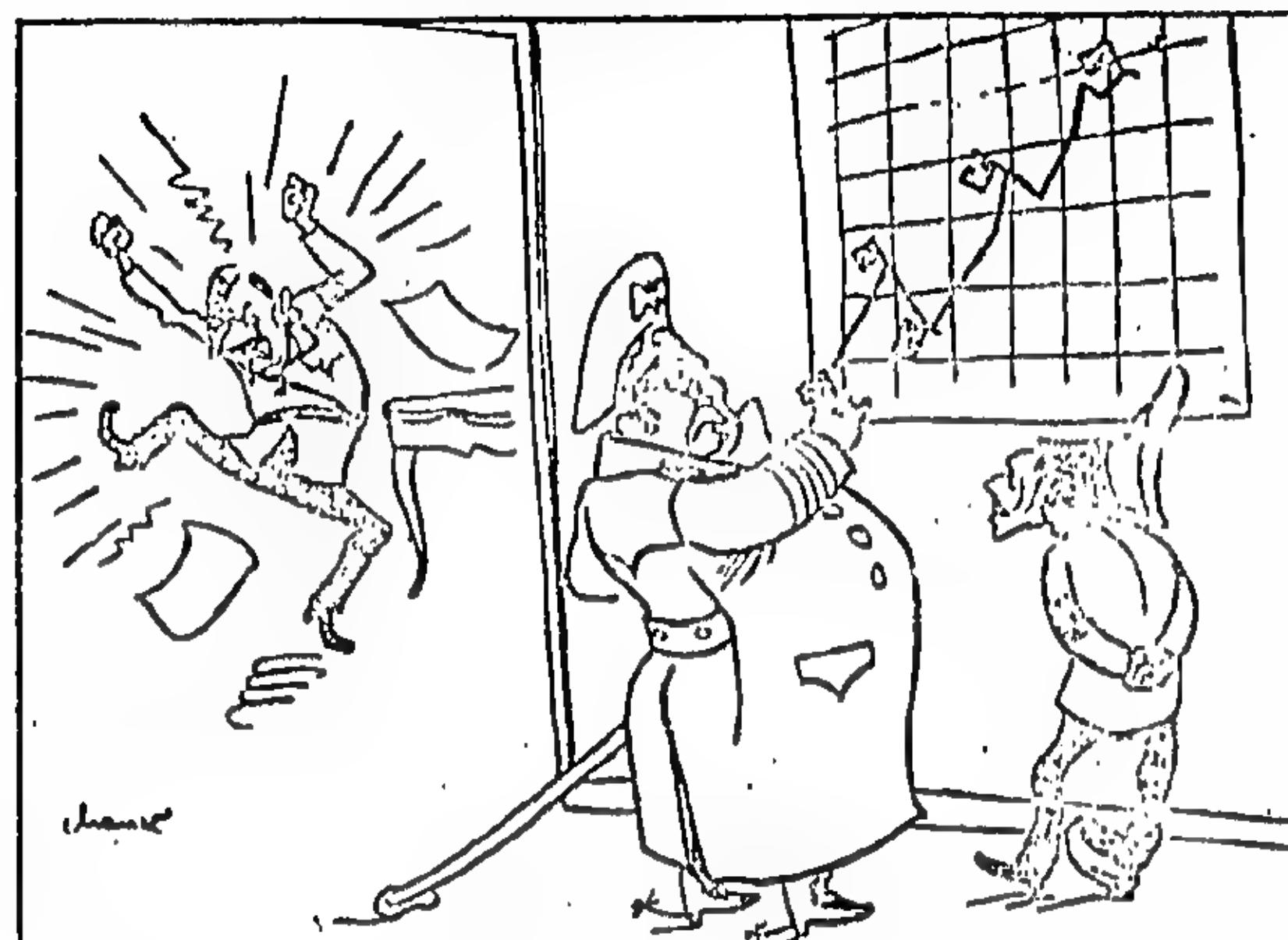
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scopes in the height-finder and predictor.

There is little need to dwell on the routine of Camp. It is well known to most people now, but in the 5th A. A. Battery, from the Battery Commander down to the lowest Gunner there was a pleasant atmosphere of comradeship. We were only eighty strong. We messaged together, and there was only one canteen. Never for one moment was there any overwhelming feeling of inferiority.

Our Sergeant Major, S. M. Beddow, and our "Quartermaster," as Q.M.S. Dudman was affectionately termed by our genial M.O., Capt. Selby, were not the irascible martinetts that civilians are led to believe that such officers are. They were, actually, quite the reverse, for no matter how many little items of Camp duty they had on their hands, and there were quite a considerable number, there was always a genial word of advice for the enquirers.

There were the usual murmurs about food, but still it was put away in enormous quantities. The Orderly Officer's duty was a mere formality. The greatest need was for a bath. The weather was with us on this occa-



tion, and Shek-O beach was at our doorstep, but there were yet a number who could not be tempted into the sea, and who consequently spent a bath-less week.

We transferred from ground sheets to camp beds following the discovery of several eight- or nine-inch centipedes in the sand, while mosquitoes did not make an appearance until late in the week, when it was too late for them to do any damage, but I can still taste the quinine!

## SESSIONS CALENDAR

Following are the cases to be tried at the Criminal Sessions which begin to-morrow.

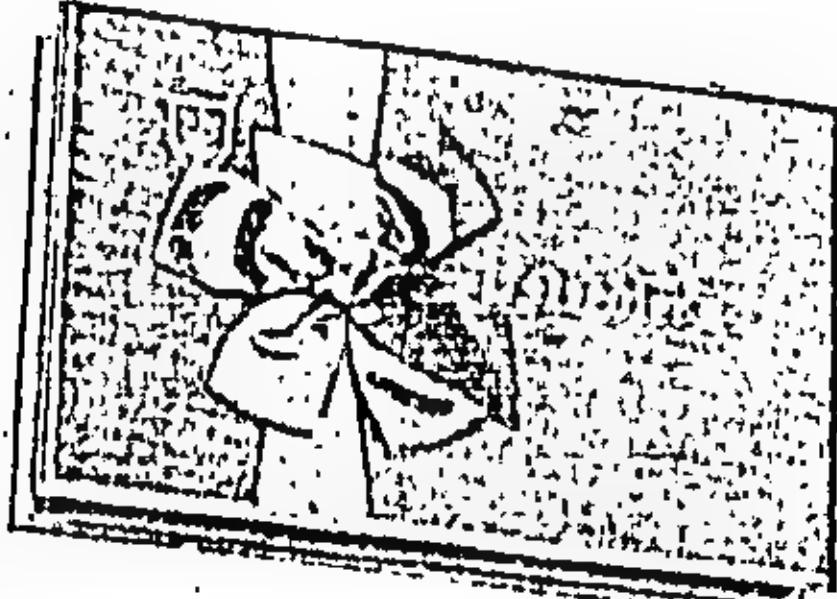
Wong Chau, manslaughter; Wai Mu, manslaughter; Wai Yip, So Nam, Loung Sing and Ma Lai, possession of dangerous drugs; Chung Wan-chin, manslaughter; Wai Tin and Ho Hung, armed robbery in dwelling; Po So, Lu Yee, Po Fun and Po Kam, robbery; Au Kam and Chau Hin, possession of arms and ammunition; Chung Pak-chung, uttering by trick and conspiracy; Wong Chiu, Lau Yui, Li Man and Wan Wai, breach of the deportation order.

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STANDING in the dock at Liverpool Assizes, an I.R.A. man told Mr. Justice Stable that had it been known what sort of a record was possessed by the leader of an explosives conspiracy, he would not have been allowed to take part in I.R.A. activities.

He referred to Vincent Crompton, a 36-year-old seaman, who, the police disclosed, was not an Irishman at all—having been born in Manchester—and had been in the United States Army, the British Army and the International Brigade in Spain.

Crompton was sentenced to 20 years' penal servitude for conspiracy, possessing explosives, causing an explosion and attempting to cause an explosion.

## To Clear Girl

The man who disowned him was Christopher Kenneally, 19-year-old labourer, who was sent to a Borstal institution for three years for conspiracy and causing an explosion.

John Carney (27), labourer, and George Whittaker (30), clerk, were each sentenced to seven years' penal servitude. Both were found guilty of conspiracy, Carney of causing an explosion and Whittaker of possessing explosives.

Crompton made a plea for Jean Dobson, 18-year-old milliner, who was found guilty of conspiracy and possessing explosives.

He said he had used the girl for the purposes of the I.R.A. and got her to pose as his wife to allay suspicion.

Whittaker said the girl was "quite innocent of anything in the nature of homicide."

Sentencing on her was postponed. Terence O'Hanlon, a labourer, was acquitted on all charges and discharged.

## "Frame-Up"

Sentencing Kenneally, the judge said: "This country is at war to establish the right of the individual to think as he thinks right."

"Do you really think that the best way to achieve what you honestly think is right—a united and independent Ireland—is to blow up pillars, pylons, bridges, post offices in a populous town, destroying letters and maybe lives?"

Kenneally said: "To-day England and France are united in the efforts to restore Poland and Czechoslovakia. They also say that they are saving the human race from aggression. No country under God's sun has suffered more from aggression than my country has."

To Crompton the judge said: "You are not even Irish. For what motive you embarked on the series of abominable crimes of violence of which you are apparently rather proud I do not know. Your appreciation of the situation is rotten."

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THE HAGUE.  
Incidents of the unrest in the Greater Reich pass unnoticed in the German Press. Instead, the papers are filled with reports about unrest in Wales and alleged anti-Jewish demonstrations in London.

"Britain must be destroyed" is now the watchword in Germany. The public is told that Britain and France are preparing a "second Versailles" and are determined on the partition of Germany in the event of an Allied victory.

"With all the moral and material resources of a nation of 80,000,000 people," declares the "Westdeutsche Landeszeitung" to-day, "we shall carry on the struggle against British world dominion and the German people will not lay down its arms until its goal has been reached. The tyranny of England must be broken and we shall break it. Act London like note of that!"

The German Ministry of Agriculture reports a "new and great success in the fight against the British blockade."

Crops Above Average.  
The potato and sugar beet crops are, it is stated, well above the average. While the public is thus assured that Germany can never be starved out, figures recently published in the "Frankfurter Zeitung" give a less rosy picture of Germany's general foreign trade. The paper calculates that as a result of the war and the blockade Germany will lose 50.0 per cent. of her normal imports and 40.7 per cent. of her exports.

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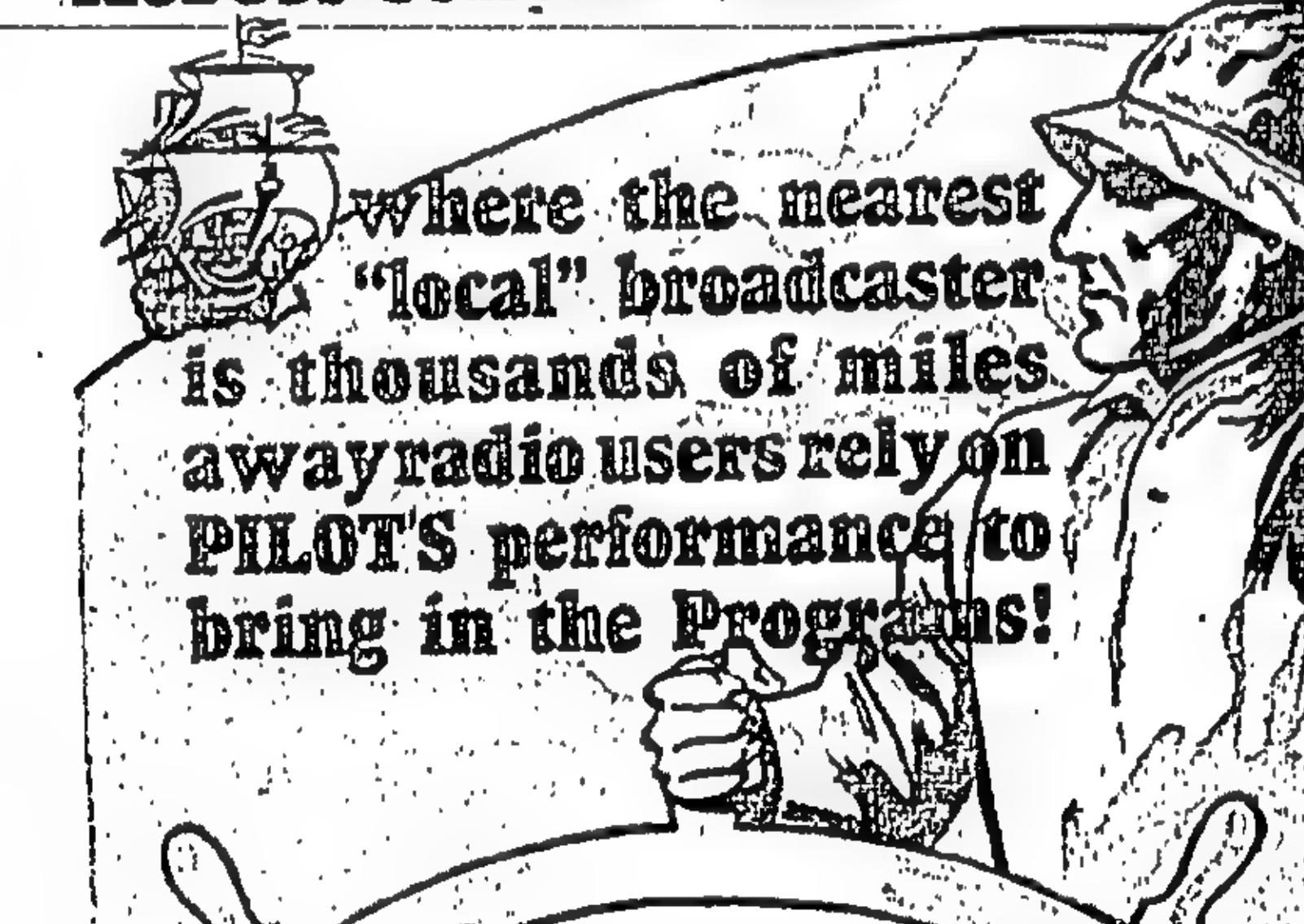
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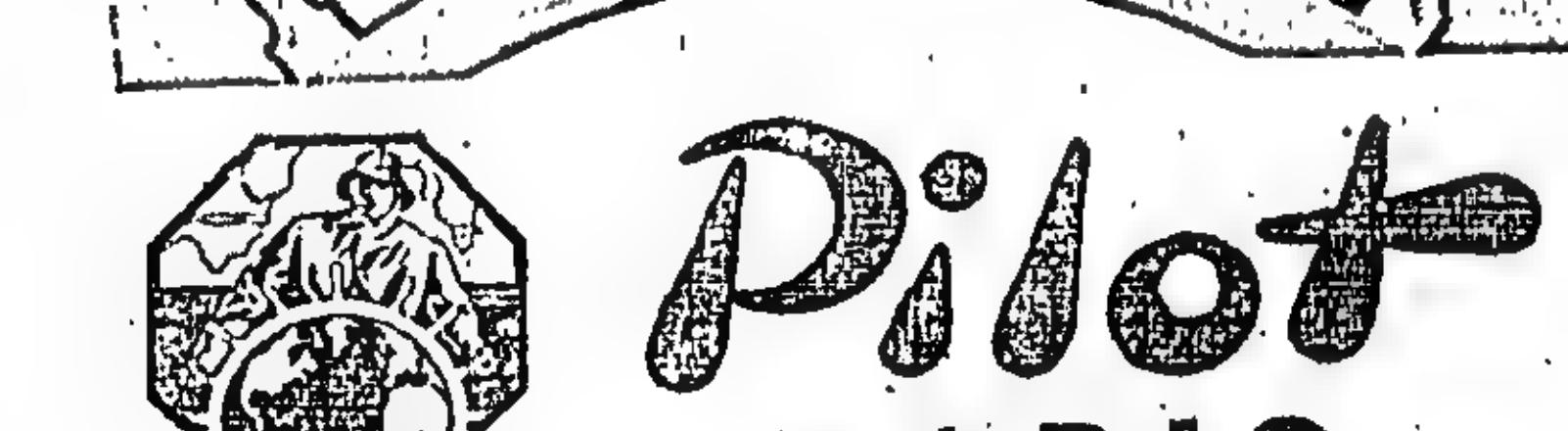
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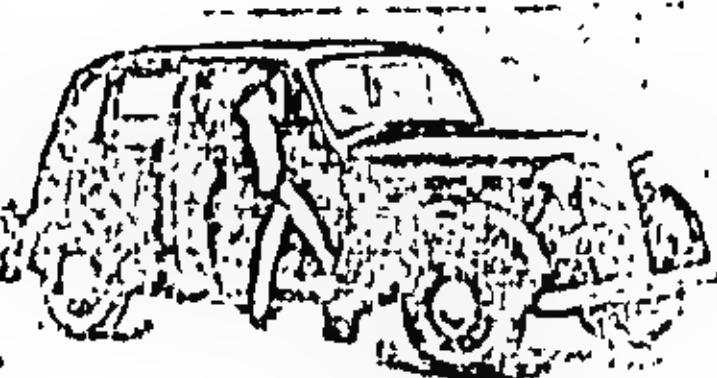
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**War On Finland**

It has only needed the League of Nations to complete the history of one of the most remarkable volte faces in history—the swing from all the pretty, fine ideas about resistance to aggression which Russia had for some years championed—and complained that we others did not sufficiently support.

The pact with Germany and the quickly succeeding invasion is naked expediency regardless of all right and wrong. Germany's war is Russia's opportunity. Russia desires Finnish territory for her own purposes. Therefore Finland's independence and integrity must be destroyed; she must be ruthlessly invaded; shells and bombs must be dropped on her peaceful towns. Thus the new Russia demonstrates the principles of "her" policy—towards the small countries, towards the rules of international law and honest dealing, "with particular force."

Russia desires to secure herself against attack both on the Black Sea front and in the Baltic. She says that she fears for Leningrad; she is determined to make herself mistress, as indeed she is already, of the Gulf of Finland and hence of the whole Eastern Baltic. For this purpose she forced concessions from the Baltic States, which control the southern approaches to the Gulf. In the process, however smooth her words, she broke their independence; they are without powerful friends, they are completely at her mercy. Finland was of tougher stuff. Throughout the long negotiations that ended a few weeks ago she was conciliatory but firm. On some things she would yield but she would surrender nothing that could be used to destroy her independent life; she would not concede a base on her own mainland nor abandon the fortified positions opposite Leningrad on which her own defence depends. Therefore Russia, having determined to get her way even at the cost of war, has during the last ten days sought to make out a "case" against the victim. The model was Nazi, the imitation poor. The Finnish people number three and a half millions, which is about the size of Leningrad; the Russians are more than 150,000,000. But the Finns, it seems, were plotting to make war on mighty Russia. What is more, they were brutally attacking the Russian Army along the frontier. Nor did the Finnish lamb show its teeth out of the mere viciousness innate in the species, though that would have been bad enough. It had surrendered itself to the evil promptings of "Imperialist" Britain, and everywhere that Britain went the lamb was sure to go. This being the official nursery tale, all the attempts of Finland to offer peaceful measures were rejected out of hand. The frontier disputes could have been invoked. Finland offered both and was refused. The United States was ready to mediate and said so; that escape also from the brutality of war was rejected at Moscow. History does not contain a clearer case of "unprovoked aggression."

## The King IS 44 To-day

### HERE IS HIS BIRTHDAY HOROSCOPE:

King George the Sixth was born at five past three in the morning on December 14, 1895. Libra was rising in his birth chart, giving him an even temperament, a strong sense of justice, and a well-balanced mind.

At his birth Jupiter, his ruling planet, was on the meridian, a very fortunate augury for people born at that time.

Sagittarians (and the King appears to be a typical subject) are independent people, instinctively on the side of the down-trodden and oppressed, and they can be very outspoken too when their feelings are roused.

The sun and Mercury in the King's sign bestow a democratic and philanthropic outlook.

## LONDON DIARY

### Air Mail News From Home

DR. F. W. ROUTLEY, Canadian Red Cross Commissioner, arrived in London last night from Toronto with his wife.

He has come to discuss the arrangements for the Canadian Red Cross organisation in England with Mr. R. B. Bennett, who recently undertook its chairmanship.

Mr. Bennett is now working in his offices in the Savoy, but his organisation is still in a skeleton stage. It is not likely to get much further until the Canadian Forces actually come over here in several months' time.

Plans, however, have now been completed for the large one-storey hospital which the Canadians are to build on a ten-acre site presented by Lord Astor at Cliveden.

### Managing The Party

THE American broadcaster says that the Premier sees Captain Marston, the Government Chief Whip, every morning at 11 o'clock. They discuss the management of the Conservative Party.

I should say myself that Mr. Chamberlain has more serious matters to dispose of at 11 a.m. than the behaviour of his faithful followers.

The Conservative Party have never been easier to handle than at this moment.

### Visiting War Zone

MR. GILBERT MILLER is one of the privileged Americans who are given permission by their Government to visit the "belligerent zone" of England.

The reason is that he has theatrical interests to look after.

Mr. Miller has been here for ten days and is leaving today for New York. He refuses to allow the war to interfere with his business planning. And he proposes to return to London as soon as possible after the New Year.

Indeed, his interests in London began in war-time. For the first play he put on here was "Daddy Long-Legs," in 1916.

### In Italy Now

He came to England this time by way of Genoa and Rome. He found Italy determined in her neutrality. But there was at the same time strong friendship for England and comparatively little for Germany.

To one porter he said: "The last time I was here the Fuehrer was visiting Rome."

"Our great friend," said the porter—and spat expressively on the ground.

### Big Debate

THE House of Lords is expecting a busy first week of the new session.

On Wednesday Lord Addison is drawing attention to unnecessary interferences by Government departments with the lives and businesses of individuals. His motion is expected to lead to the first important Lords debate of the war. It may last two days.

When Parliament is opened on Tuesday the Address will be moved by Admiral of the Fleet Lord Cork and seconded by Field Marshal Lord Milne.

In the first Parliamentary session of the last war it was the junior, not the senior service which enjoyed this honour. The address was moved by Field-marshal Lord Methuen, and seconded by Lord Bryce.

Lord Cork does not often find time to attend the Lords debates, but he was in his place this week, a stately, ganger-headed figure in naval uniform, when the Government statement was made on the reprisals against German mine-laying.

### Private Inge

DR. INGE'S views on war are vigorously pacifist. He believed in 1914 that we should have remained neutral.

He maintains now that this war is a mistake, and can only open the way for Communism.

All his family, however, do not share his views. And his opinions do not interfere at all with his pride in being the father of Private Edward Inge.

### Enjoyment

After 15 years of devoted attention from native servants, Mr. Inge might be expected to take little pleasure in the tasks of washing up and scrubbing floors. Yet, it is said, he has declared that he has never been so happy.

Dr. Inge has two other sons and a daughter. The eldest son is with the Burmah Shell Oil Company, and works in Bombay. He is an expert engineer, but is not allowed to enlist.

The third son is a curate in a large parish near Leeds, and Miss Inge is a hospital nurse.

## GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichly



"Do you plead not guilty to assault and battery, or do you care to boast?"

## COUNTER ATTACKS

### Finns Seek To Break Russian Lines

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
HELSINGFORS, Dec. 13. (UPI).—Reinforcements have been rushed to the eastern and central fronts. Military officials indicate that preparations are being made for a determined stand to stall the Russian drive towards the Gulf of Bothnia.

The withdrawal of Finnish troops from the central front is designed to draw the Russians out of their position in preparation for counter-attacks.

Delegates from Copenhagen said the counter-attacks have already started with some success in the Salla sector on the northern wing of the central front.

There is no indication of diminution of confidence in the main defence line on the Karelian Isthmus on the eastern front, despite reports that Russia has moved up huge reinforcements.

The Finns claim that they are subduing the invaders to devastating fire as they try to advance towards the Gulf of Bothnia across the open country and through unfamiliar forests.

Although the Finns claimed heavy losses to far, no Finnish casualty list has been published. The Finnish spokesman explained, "It would be no use; none would believe that the losses have been significant."

The Finns claimed an important victory in mid-Finland, where they are trying to stall the Russians. They claim to have killed (above 2,000 Russians) in the Tolvajärvi sector.

A Finnish war bulletin reported that Red planes, flying above the clouds last Tuesday, bombed Hangö and the Tammisaari Islands in the Gulf of Finland.

The extent of damage is not disclosed.

#### Finns Make Big Gains

**HELSINGFORS**, Dec. 13. (Reuter).—It is officially reported that the Finnish advance at Tolvajärvi, mentioned in a Finnish communiqué, has been very considerable.

It is said that the Finnish troops are pushing rapidly towards the Russian frontier.

Other unconfirmed reports are that the Finns have taken Pitkäranta on the northern shore of Lake Ladoga, and also Stomuosalmi and Salla, the key-point of the northern front.

If the last-named is true, it indicates the great success of the Finnish counter-offensive, for the Russians had planned to make Salla their base and headquarters.

#### Furious Fighting

**LONDON**, Dec. 13. (Reuter).—Although it is obvious that the Soviet forces in the far North and in the south are being strongly held, the position in the centre is far from clear.

Soviet troops are making a determined effort with mounted columns to cut Finland in two at the narrowest part by driving straight to the Gulf of Bothnia.

Russia and Sweden report that there is furious fighting at a point 130 miles from the Soviet frontier, but the reports are not believed in Helsingfors where it is said that such a rapid advance means that the Finns will be "out of the question."

Finnish planes have been very active, and 12 miles of railway on the main line from Murmansk to Leningrad have been destroyed by bombs.

#### British Planes For Finns

**LONDON**, Dec. 13. (Reuter).—Sir Kingsley Wood, the Minister for Air, announced in the House of Commons to-day that the British Government has decided to grant export licences to a British firm to enable it to send aircraft to Finland.

#### Appeal For Gas Masks

**WASHINGTON**, Dec. 14. (Reuter).—The Finnish Government is requesting permission of the United States to use the U.S. Army's latest gas masks.

The masks are still on the secret list.

#### Finnish Claims

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
HELSINGFORS, Dec. 13. (UPI).—A Finnish communiqué states: "On the sea, in the Koliysaari sector, our coastal batteries again lent aid to the land forces by concentrated bursts of artillery fire."

"On Lake Ladoga, our coast batteries broke up enemy detachments along the coast roads."

"In the Saimaa section the coastal batteries also drove back an enemy transport and ship detachments."

#### Russians Take Island

**ROME**, Dec. 13. (Reuter).—According to a Helsingfors telegram, the Russians have occupied the island of Märsi in Lake Ladoga, but their progress in the Karelian front is insignificant.

The Finns are still holding Suomussalmi, about 17 miles from the frontier in Finland's "wasp waist," despite repeated Russian attacks.

According to the telegram, the Russians are desperately trying to cut Finland in two and sever her communications with Sweden.

#### Danger Of New War

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
LONDON, Dec. 13. (Reuter).—Chiefs predicted Sir Kingsley Wood's statement that the Government had decided to grant licences to allow the export of aircraft to Finland.

The Air Minister declared that he did not agree with Mr. George Russell Strauss, the Labour Member for North Lambeth, who suggested that it would be wrong to divert "these

## PLANES TO "SPOT" MINES

### Security Patrols Over North Sea

**LONDON**, Dec. 13. (Reuter).—A German communiqué reports the presence of British planes over Germany as being in connection with the return of the Bremen.

The Nazis have obviously confused this with the security patrols now being maintained over Germany in connection with the aero-planes-in-layers.

The Air Ministry announced that the R.A.F. have been carrying out the security patrols not only over Helgoland but also over the base from which these planes set out, notably the Islands of Sylt and Borkum.

The planes have encountered heavy anti-aircraft fire but nevertheless the performance of the operations has been successful.

#### Swedish Ship Sinking

**STOCKHOLM**, Dec. 13. (Reuter).—The Swedish steamer, Abrol, 900 tons, struck a mine near the German coast off the south Swedish coast. Swedish warships are rushing to her aid.

## Anglo-Soviet Parleys

### White Paper To Tell The Real Facts

**LONDON**, Dec. 13. (Reuter).—Britain is preparing a White Paper showing the course of the abortive negotiations with the Soviet Government.

The revelation was made in the House of Commons to-day by the Premier, Mr. Neville Chamberlain.

The White Paper is being prepared by Lord Halifax, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, under whose initiative the negotiations were conducted.

The White Paper is now in preparation, Mr. Chamberlain said. The necessary will take some time, but the paper will be laid before the House as soon as possible."

## Monetary War In Full Swing

### Allies' Advantages Recapitulated

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
PARIS, Dec. 13. (Reuter).—"If the military war is barely sustained, the monetary war is in full swing," said M. Paul Reynaud, the French Finance Minister, addressing the Chamber to-day.

He added: "The demobilisation will not only at the price of sacrifice, of which they perhaps have no idea, a Yes."

But compared with Germany, the economic—indeed—the French are moderate.

#### A Sign For The Future

Dealing with Government measures regarding foreign exchange, M. Reynaud stated that since the beginning of the war, 31 million francs had been repatriated and the Exchange Equilibration Fund, despite huge purchases abroad, was higher than at the beginning of the war.

Emphasising the huge resources of the Allies, M. Reynaud asked: "Ought we not to make a real partnership for this great common adventure of war and even think of prolonging it after the war, so that it might be the starting point for a reconstruction eagerly expected by Europe?"

## Breach Action Withdrawn

### Plaintiff Does Not Proceed With Case

When the breach of promise case instituted by Moli Cheung came up before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell in the Summary Court this morning, the prosecuting solicitor applied for a withdrawal of the case.

Plaintiff claimed \$1,000 damages, alleging failure on the part of defendant to carry out a promise to marry her following the birth of a child.

Mr. M. A. da Silva acted for plaintiff and Mr. F. E. Nash for defendant. Previously, Mr. da Silva said the case was founded on three promises of marriage dating back to May 1937.

This morning Mr. Silva addressed His Lordship: "I have instructions from my client that this matter has been settled and to apply for a withdrawal of this case. There will be no order for costs."

His Lordship: "You merely wish to record settlement?"

Mr. Nash: "Withdrawn, my Lord. His Lordship: "Very good." Withdrawn and no order for costs."

badly needed supplies from the purpose of the present war."

Sir Kingsley Wood gave no answer when Mr. Strauss asked whether there was danger of this action involving this country in another war.

## WESTERN FRONT

### ARTILLERY EXCHANGE

#### Sudden Activity In Several Areas

**PARIS**, Dec. 13. (Reuter).—After a spell of comparative calm, the Western Front has suddenly become very active, although this activity has not yet gone beyond the stage technically known as "strong patrols."

The Germans sent out numerous patrols along nearly the whole front on Monday, and these were especially busy east of the Moselle and between the Warndt Forest and the Saar.

In the latter region, where German patrols were most numerous, there were no less than three raids accompanied by the usual artillery.

Fire was aimed to demoralise the posts attacked and to prevent the arrival of reinforcements.

The French artillery replied with artillery fire hampering the attackers. One French patrol withdrew yesterday, so the net German result is nil. Other patrols resisted, and there was heavy local fighting with much hand-grenade throwing.

The French protected their posts with artillery barrages and machine-guns fire, and the German eventually were obliged to retire, leaving many dead on the field.

## Nazi Wheat Rotting

### New Food Problem Presents Itself

**LONDON**, Dec. 13. (Reuter).—The "Daily Telegraph's" Trieste correspondent reports that the effects of the blockade and the Russian failure to deliver even one-fifth of the grain supplies promised have compelled Germany to resort to her grain reserves earlier than expected.

The stocks stored in churches, synagogues, and emergency warehouses are found to be in a very bad condition.

The depots at Hamburg, Berlin, Nuremberg are so bad that an investigation has been ordered throughout the country.

#### 10% Of Stocks Affected

It is revealed that 10 per cent of the emergency stocks are affected. All the grain has been stored more than six months. Therefore it is being handed out before it becomes wholly unfit for consumption.

Hence the revision of the Government order that bread must contain a minimum of 10 per cent of potato flour.

The German public, however, is being told that the extra supplies are due to the fact that the warehouses are overflowing.

## Successful Convoying

### Achievements Of The British System

**LONDON**, Dec. 13. (Reuter).—Authoritative circles in London emphasise the efficiency and wide extent of the British convoy system, which gives the protection of powerful units of the British Navy to neutral merchant vessels trading with Britain.

The safe arrival of hundreds of convoyed vessels does not constitute the measure of the strength of the British Navy, but only the normal process of international trade.

#### False Assertion

The recent sinkings of British and neutral vessels, on the contrary, are of sensational news value used by German propaganda in an attempt to prove that the convoy system is not safe for neutrals, whereas neutral ship owners, whose ships arrive safely week after week, know this assertion to be absurd.

Neutral charter their ships to the British Government to travel in convoy because it is easier for German submarines to torpedo unaccompanied ships than to attack a convoy and risking depth charges from the escorting vessels.

## NAZI GOODS FOR BALTIC STATES

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**

**KAUNAS**, Dec. 13. (Reuter).—Germany is making the greatest efforts to increase her exports to the Baltic states, following the institution of the Allied blockade of her overseas exports.

Lithuania is inundated with offers of German goods.

## COMMUNAL RIOTS

### One Dead And 115 Injured

**NEW DELHI**, Dec. 13. (Reuter).—One life has been lost as a result of Monday's communal rioting at Jubbulpore, in central India. One hundred and fifteen persons were injured.

A German news agency put out the list of dead as "over one hundred."

Among other wild statements emanating from Zee on (the Berlin short-wave broad casting station) are accusations regarding working conditions for women etc.

Women said Zeeen last night, work twelve hours a day in coal mines. In actual fact, women are not permitted to work underground.

**Mr. Jinnah's Statement**

**NEW DELHI**, Dec. 13. (Reuter).—Mr. Jinnah, leader of the All-India Muslim Party, who is involved in an acute dispute with Gandhi at the moment, to-day issued a long statement in which he demanded that the Royal Commission should examine the treatment of minorities in India by the Congress Ministries.

#### Wants Royal Commission

**BOMBAY**, Dec. 13. (Reuter).—Mr. M. A. Jinnah, President of the Allied Muslim League, in a lengthy statement reiterating the charges against Congress Ministries in connection with the treatment of minorities, has demanded the appointment of a Royal Commission by the British Government.

This, he added, should be composed of a purely judicial panel with High Court judges under the chairmanship of one of the Law Lords of the Privy Council.

**Another Ship Escapes**

**LONDON**, Dec. 13. (Reuter).—The Norddeutscher Lloyd announces the safe arrival of the liner Bremen at Bremerhaven, and it is claimed that another German liner, New York, has reached Hamburg from Murmansk.

**Lord Strabolgi**

Lord Strabolgi added that the submarine had much in her favour in evading British warships because of the long nights and the possibility of using Norwegian territorial waters.

**Going To Fall Again**

She was going to fall once more. "For this, we have to be grateful to two things—refusal of our merchant seamen to be cowards, and the fighting efficiency of our Navy."

Referring to the "devoted scientists and the technical Navy officers, who in combination, have produced the anti-submarine and other weapons the Navy is wielding to-day," Lord Chatfield said that a child swimming in shark-infested waters was in no more unpleasant position than a submarine approaching British shores to-day.

#### Foundations Of Victory

"By defeating the efforts of the enemy to stop the use of the seas by the merchantmen of all countries, we are laying the foundations of victory, and so we shall ensure the safe conduct of the Allies of all other military operations."

Lord Chatfield added that if ever there had been the cause of right against wrong, and of good intention against evil intention, surely that was our cause to-day.

That was "our secret weapon"—the invaluable advantage we possessed over our enemy, a weapon that Germany has denied and one which she cannot counter or use against us.

#### Ministry For The Succour Of Britain

Lord Chatfield, who is the Minister for the Co-ordination of Defence, also spoke about the work of his department.

He admitted that he was not well-known to the general public and that the Ministry is "almost equally an enigma."

Only a day or so ago, he received a letter addressed to the "Ministry for the Succour of Britain."

He passed it on to—well, he passed it on

## "Pilgrim's" Hockey Notes

# CHARITY GAMES AT KING'S PARK

## High Standards In Games To Aid British War Organisation Fund

GENIAL WEATHER was associated with the Mainland v. Island women's match at King's Park last Sunday in aid of the British War Organisation Fund. The result of the game—Mainland 2, Island 1—was in keeping with my expectation. Moreover, the game was contested at a furious pace, and very even.

There was no score in the first half, but the Island might well have done so had their inside forwards, Mrs. Gardiner and Mrs. Dalziel, not been unlucky or had followed up with more speed and dash. The scoring of the first goal by Miss Purves, in the second half, however, gave them a strong pull, and Mainland supporters have elevated their eyebrows.

Up to this period the Mainland halves were very unsettled—the usual big game excitement, mis-hitting, half hitting and plenty of over anxiety. Soon after, the Mainland attack came into their own, and the forwards showed far more activity in their short passing.

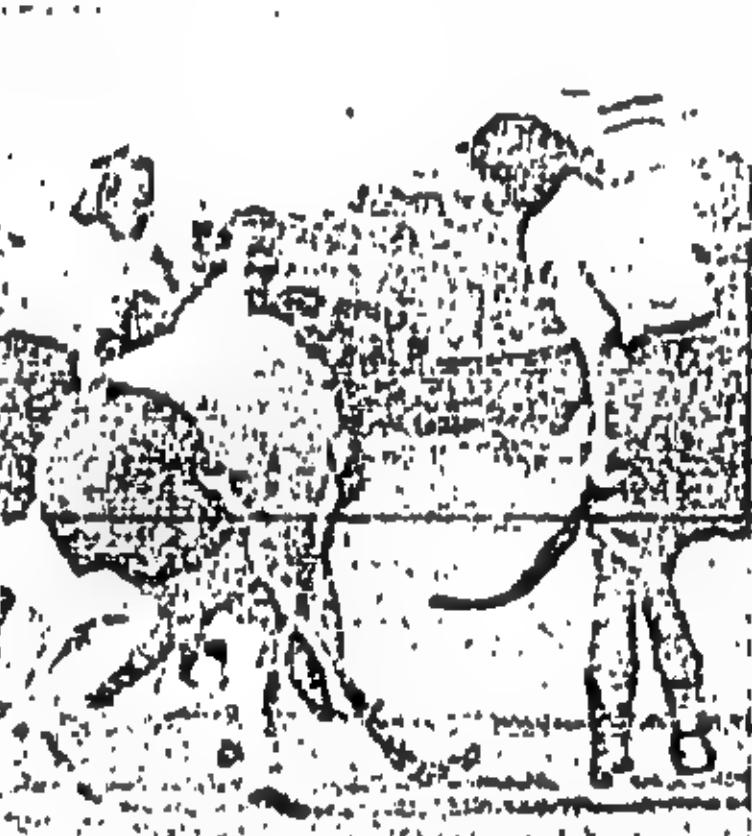
Miss D. McCaw, Miss Harker and Miss Marr, tipped the ball from stick to stick quickly, and the halves participated in the rapid following-up. Miss Marr, who is no fleet of foot, got well past Mrs. Straus, and tapped the ball to Miss Harker, who in turn flashed it across the goal-mouth. Miss H. Reid dashed in and placed the ball magnificently into the net to equalise. After their brilliant start, the pace set by the Island forwards slowed down a lot in the next half as was to be anticipated, and though they frequently worked the ball up to the circle, their efforts were frustrated either by Miss G. White and Mrs. Gillett, or checked by a save from Miss June Hall, who did really well for her first big match.

### THE WINNING GOAL

THIS lack of sting amongst the Island forwards in the final stages was noticeable, whilst on the other hand the Mainland attack, who worked with more thrust and dash, eventually obtained the winning goal. Miss Marr again took possession and sent a nice pass in to Miss D. McCaw, the latter tested Miss Lunson with a full-blooded drive, which was well stopped—the ever-ready Miss Reid once again dashed through to give her side victory, before Mrs. Lunson could recover.

### Prominent Features Of The Game

MISS K. POCOCK gave a bright display at centre-half for the Island, she tackled splendidly, and fed her forwards with nice flick passes. The wing halves, Mrs. Stone and Miss B. Greaves, were great spoilers, with Mrs. Stone the better of the two. Miss E. Gray was the best back on view, her defence was so sound that in Services' quarters she was termed Hongkong's Marquise. Mrs.



A brief clash during the Island Mainland hockey match last Sunday.

### SPORT ADVTS

#### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE THIRTEENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 24th December, 1939, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

#### MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Bages admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all Chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 12 o'clock NOON.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 21920).

#### PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

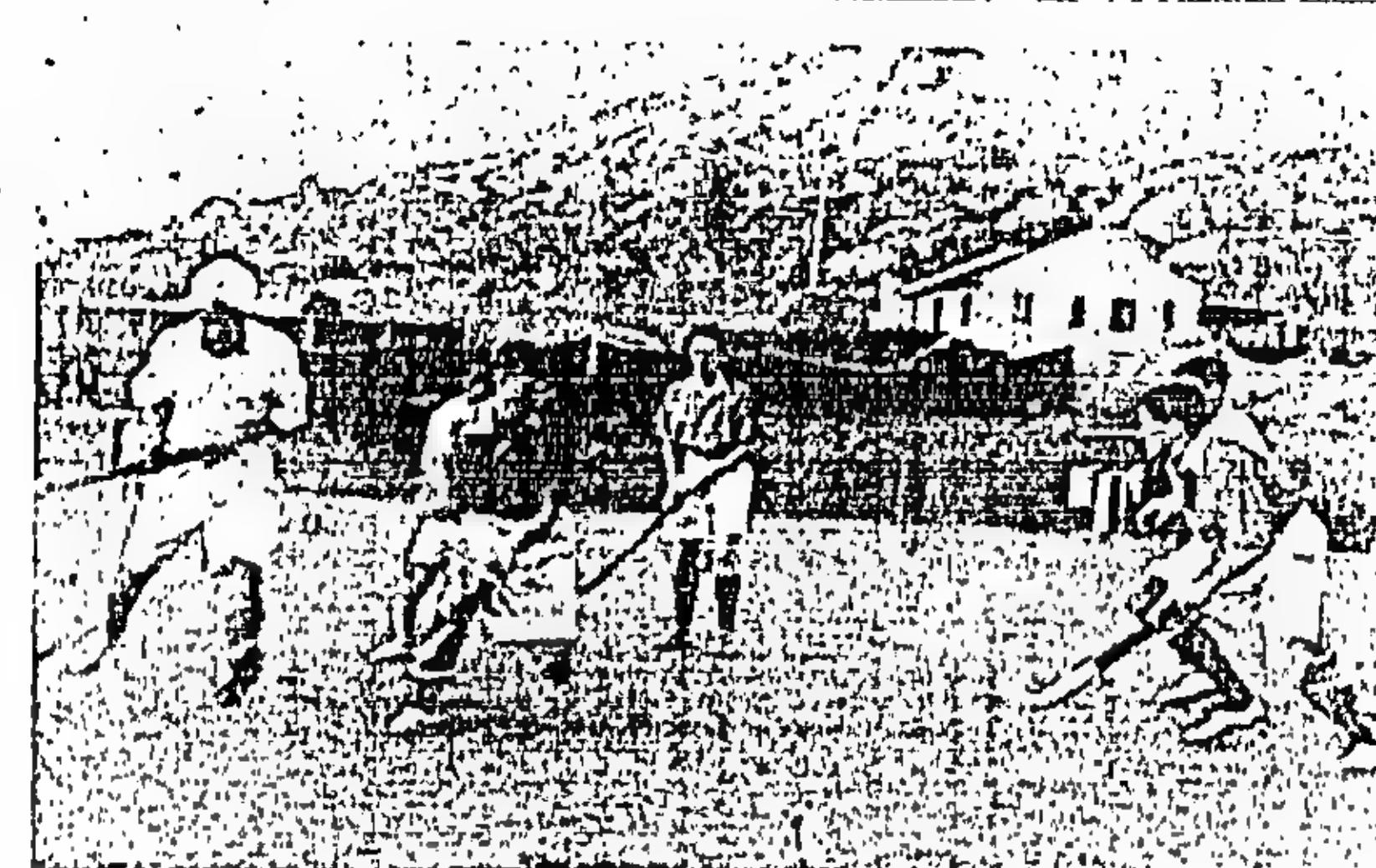
The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

#### By Order,

C. H. BROWN,  
Secretary,  
Hongkong, 11th December, 1939.

### Rugby Football

## ROYAL SCOTS BEAT CLUB



Lt. Hook (Services) steering the ball away from Gurbachan Singh (Civilians) in the charity hockey match in aid of the B.W.O.F. at King's Park last Sunday. The match was drawn 2-2—Ming Yuen.

now got right in their stride. Then came their first goal.

It was an opening by W. A. Reed that gave E. Fowler his chance to score, and he made no mistake. The Civilians still forced their attack; they were continually pressing, and giving the Services' defence active employment. Pyne Singh, this time, sent S. A. Fowler through to give the Civilians a 2-1 lead.

Services towards the end came back with a spirited attack, and Pritam Nath equalised with a soft goal, when Benwell completely missed the ball.

The Services were hard pressed, and defending strongly when the final whistle went.

### Comments Of Players

THE Civilian backs, Bond and Gonsalves, were sound. The former was fast in his tackling and hit hard and cleanly. W. A. Reed, the old General at centre-half, played his usual fine game, and controlled his passes with skill. Brown and N. Whitley, the wing halves, also performed well. Brown, in particular, was more constructive in the latter stages, when he took complete control of Nerns and Partab. The attack was fast enough, but as I have said, it lacked cohesion qualities.

J. Soares was seldom fed on the left wing, and S. A. Fowler had an off day. G. Singh, inside right, displayed fine stick-work and passing skill, and Pyara Singh, as leader, distributed the ball well. E. Fowler, though now to the inside left position, was always a trier.

The Services defence played finely, but rather tapered off in the second half. Balnes did by no means badly in goal; he had as many shots to clear as Benwell, and he rarely failed in his judgment. Datta Ram, left back, was the central figure of the defence, and he was well supported by Mrs. The halves, Cowley, Hool and Corrie-Hill, shone in the first half—they kept good contact with their forwards, and broke up several Civilian attacks. Both wing combinations showed a great speed and fine stick work.

It would not be right to close without referring to the excellent umpiring of the four officials. Their decisions were prompt and correct, and the games proceeded without any trivial whistling, but major faults were promptly noticed and dealt with.

Credit must also go to Mr. D. T. Smith, Hon. Secretary of the H.K.H.S., and his group of organisers who arranged the matches so splendidly.

IN their League encounter at King's Park last Saturday, "Y" Ladies, present Caer Clark Cup champions, easily defeated St. Andrew's, their nearest rivals, 4-1.

The "Y" line of attack worked with terrific speed and rhythm. The right-wing combination of Mrs. Burnett and Miss Harker, was out-

### Cricket

## Royal Engineers Draw With C.B.S.

### Brilliant Bowling By Sapper Ratcliffe

A BELATED ninth wicket stand of 86 runs saved the Central British School from defeat when they met the Royal Engineers in a friendly cricket match on the School ground yesterday. Despite the brilliant bowling of Sapper Ratcliffe, who took 6 for 20, after having figures of 5-2-6-6 at one period, W. G. Pryde, first wicket down, was undefeated with 52 and K. A. Meffan was 37 not out when the game ended.

The School commenced disastrously and had lost 8 wickets for 10 runs before Pryde and Meffan became associated.

The scores were:

#### R. ENGINEERS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Sgt. Ratcliffe, c Labrum b Smith	0			
L/Cpl. Shaw, b Pryde	1			
Sgt. M. Green, b Saunders	2			
Sgt. G. Green, b Saunders	3			
Capt. Gros, c Smith	4			
Sgt. Denver, c McFan b Asche	5			
Sgt. Heath, not out	6			
Sgt. McFan, c Smith	7			
Capt. Parsons, b Labrum	8			
Lieut. Pope, b Smith	9			
N. J. Taylor, not out	10			
Extras	11			
Total (for 8 wkt.)	143			

#### Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Smith	10	3	27	4
Saunders	7	3	17	2
Green	0	0	22	1
Pryde	3	0	23	1
Denver	4	1	17	1

#### C.B.S.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Odell, c Ratcliffe	0			
Sgt. Saunders, b Ratcliffe	1			
W. G. Pryde, not out	2			
A. W. Brown, c Shaw b Ratcliffe	3			
H. V. Lockhart, c and b Ratcliffe	4			
H. G. Labrum, l.b.w. b Ratcliffe	5			
J. P. Austin, b Ratcliffe	6			
K. A. Meffan, not out	7			
Extras	7			
Total (for 8 wkt.)	103			

#### C. R. Lawrence did not bat.

#### Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Ratcliffe	0	3	20	1
Parsons	2	1	19	2
Carpenter	0	0	20	1
Denyer	4	0	14	0

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### Superior Kicking Wins The Match

(By "Fly-half")

KICKING won the match for the Royal Scots yesterday evening when they defeated Club by two goals to a goal and a try. Club had bad luck when, following a kick ahead, a forward got over, only to be called back for a previous infringement, and again when Bidwell dropped a goal which was disallowed as it had been touched by a Royal Scots' player before it went over.

In the fight for the ball in the tight scrums, Salter had the measure of Sutherland. The Army pack mistimed their shove by pushing too much before the ball was put in, and were generally caught unawares by the sharp shove by the Club eight at the moment the ball was put in. In the loose and the line-outs, Salter were more or less even, with Club disappointing in their falling back in defence, and the Army forwards ready and up to take any advantage of dropped passes by their opponents. Henderson received close attention by the Army, wing forwards, and scrum half, and as a result, Butcher had to accept any sort of a pass, which considerably hampered the backs.

During the game Day had a recurrence of a leg injury and this appeared to detract from his play, in which he was weak in defence.

Bidwell did a good deal of opening up in attack and the second Club's score for Butcher, who backed up splendidly to take his pass and score behind the posts, Carruthers and Lavalle were too well marked to get properly into stride. The former did, however, have one or two good runs.

ARMY'S BEST THREE

BOE was Army's best three-quarter, and generally evaded the first tackle. His final passing left much to be desired, especially on one occasion when he broke through to draw Thompson, at full back for Club, only to sling out a rotten pass at Lung's feet, for him to knock-on in his attempt to gather.

The Club had bad luck in scores disallowed; the Royal Scots lost points by poor finishing. Cuthbertson, a forward, turned out at inside three with some success. A dribble across the field by a Club forward allowed Boe to pick the ball off the feet of the dribbler to carry on and score. Boe himself converted.

Club's first try was well-inked by Day, following a clean hook by the Club pack in a loose maul. Stout failed to convert. Butcher scored under the posts when he backed up a Bidwell break-through to receive the pass when the inside was confronted by the full back. Bidwell converted.

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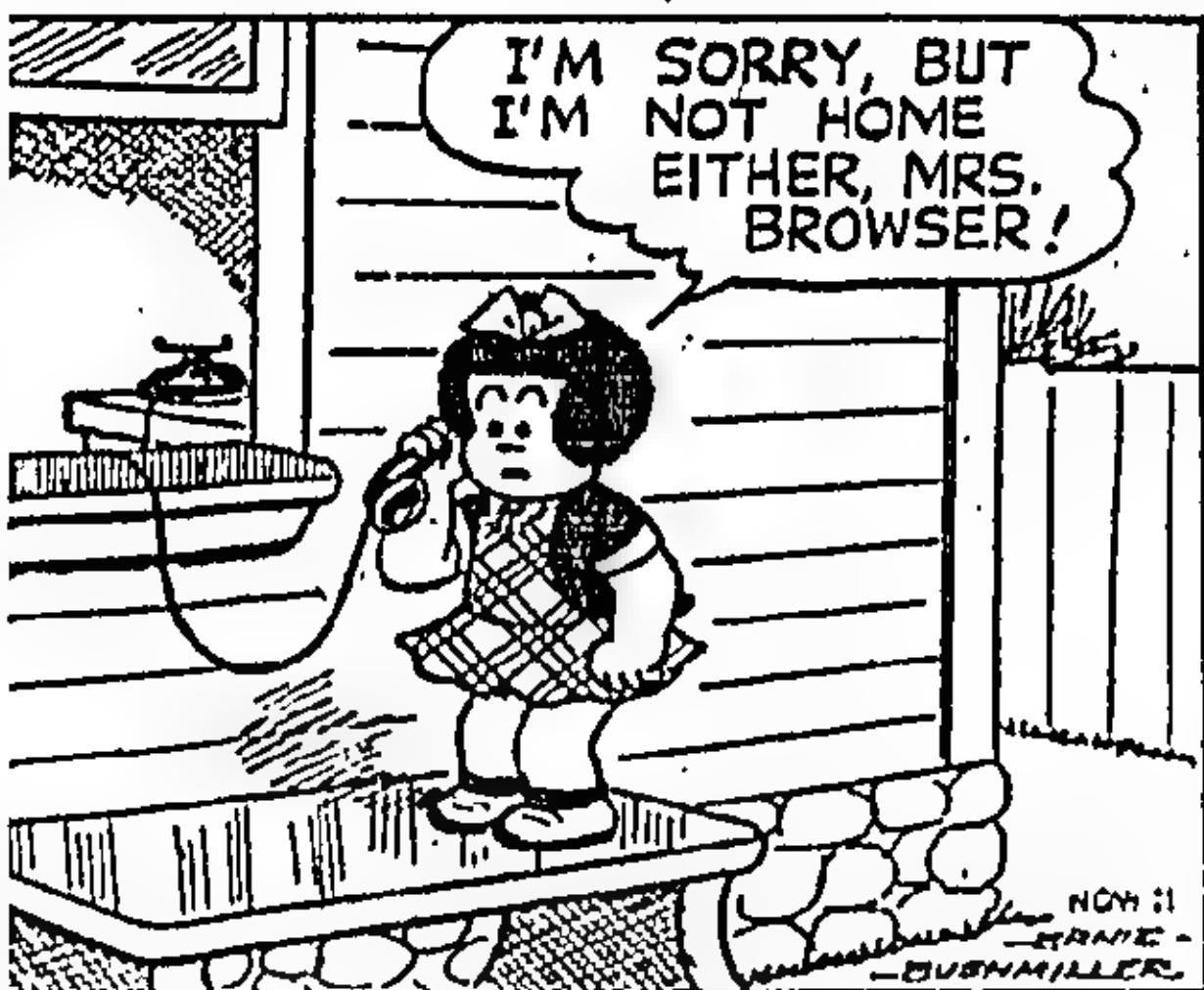
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December 14, 1939.

## NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

Short-sighted Old Lady:  
"Have you ever tried giving  
your baby Dill Water."



SWASTIK AND SIEGFRIED

"It is goot, it is goot, again we sink the Ark Royal, the Hood, the Repulse and the Rodney."

"Ach, Siegfried, the swinedog British must have three of each."

If You Know Someone Somewhere In France—

YOU'LL SOON BE ABLE  
TO SEND TELEGRAMS

NAZI TO R.A.F.:  
'I SALUTE YOU'

By NOEL MONKS

Daily Mail Special Correspondent with the R.A.F.

A GERMAN pilot sat down to dinner as an honoured guest in the officers' mess of an R.A.F. squadron last night. He had been shot down by one of our Hurricane fighters, but because of the courage he had shown during the action he was invited to dine with the men he had fought.

He shook hands with all his hosts. They toasted him, and he toasted them. Then in the middle of the meal he buried his face in his arms and sobbed aloud.

The pilot who had shot him down led him from the dining room into the lounge. In an embarrassed silence the others continued with their meal.

"Your Kindness"

Ten minutes later the captured alman returned to his place at the table and, gripping the back of his

chair till his knuckles showed white he said:

"Please forgive me. Your kindness has overwhelmed me. For most of my 31 years I have been taught to dislike the English."

"For these last five years I have been made to hate them. Only yesterday when I took off on this last flight of mine I was told that if the English captured me I should be starved and tortured."

"Instead you have broken me with your kindness. For the rest of my life I will be glad I met you. Gentlemen, I salute you."

As one man the R.A.F. pilots leapt to their feet and acknowledged the salute. The Nazi had given the German military salute, not the outstretched arm of the Nazi Party.

And this is why our fighter squadron asked the Nazi pilot to dine.

Crew's Parachute Leap

Our Hurricane had been pouring bullets into the Nazi Dornier when smoke started to pour from it. Two members of the crew leapt from it and fell earthwards by parachute. The Dornier was wobbling badly.

The Hurricane pilot swooped low over the enemy and peered into the cockpit. He saw the pilot slumped over the controls and concluded he was dead.

But he wasn't, though his machine was almost out of control.

Then the Nazi pilot did an amazingly heroic thing. He got up from the controls and climbed into the gunner's cockpit in the nose of the machine.

In a second he had trained the gun on the R.A.F. Hurricane ahead, and while the Dornier flew along on its own he let loose a stream of bullets at the Hurricane, which, however, was soon manoeuvred out of range.

The Nazi pilot was still at the gun when the machine crashed. He was unhurt. Today he is a prisoner of war with a new outlook on life and the English.

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The Committee for the Fund is deeply appreciative of all such kind and generous efforts and sincerely trust that entertainment organisations will conform to these requirements.

By O. D. GALLAGHER  
Daily Express War Reporter  
With the B.E.F. in France.

HERE is the most pleasant piece of news I've dug up in the seven days I have been with the Army—there are going to be telegrams for the Tommies.

As they say in the B.E.F., "the service is about to be laid on." The colonel who is the Assistant Director of Postal Services (the big shot of the Post Office out here), has just come back from a conference at the G.P.O. in London.

There they talked about telegrams, and inspected the plans which are going to bring front-line soldiers nearer home.

Said the colonel to me recently: "We are fixing a flat rate for them. I'm afraid it can't be as cheap as the ninepenny inland telegrams back home, but it won't cost much more. At home they are all keyed up for the new service."

So is the colonel, a tall man full of nervous energy. He wears rimless glasses, and I should say he is about as efficient as can be.

### Enthusiastic

And enthusiastic about his job. Bit of a psychologist, too—"If the troops feel that they are not in close touch with their home, they are apt to think everything has gone wrong. They need news from home quickly."

Telegrams will take from one to two days, probably one day. Fairly soon, you will see official announcements about this Tommy-Telegram Service, but I can give you detail or two now.

They will have to be addressed in the same way as ordinary letters to men in the B.E.F. Yes, I know—the address may be a long one and cost money. The Post Office thought of that too, and maybe the address will go free.

They will be handed in at post offices anywhere in Britain, and will be telegraphed immediately to Army P.O. headquarters in France. From there they will go to the front, or wherever it is, by normal delivery.

All this was planned in the first place for hundreds of Tommies who are prospective fathers. Many are worried, and want prompt news about the new arrival to whom they will one day show their medals.

### News From Mary

So—twenty-four-year-old Mary, of Noel-street, Nottingham, you'll be able to telegraph him the news. It will be working in plenty of time for you.

In case you don't know Mary, her boy-husband sat behind me at Gracie Fields' concert and cried a bit when Gracie sang the song about the little boy who wanted his daddy back for Christmas.

This is going to be a two-way service. To and from the B.E.F. and, as the official announcement will tell you later, it is for urgent messages only.

No decision has been made yet about giving men a day or two leave to go home to deal with domestic crises like babies and things. Tommy's French comrades get a day's leave for such happenings.

The Allies add an hour to the war to-morrow midnight when the French go into winter-time with us. Good old Entente Cordiale.

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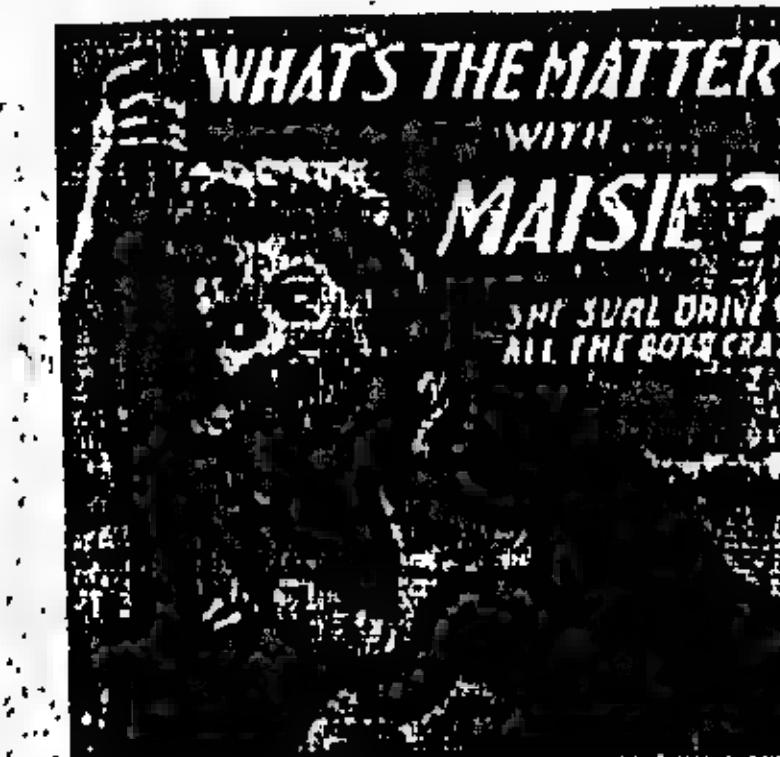


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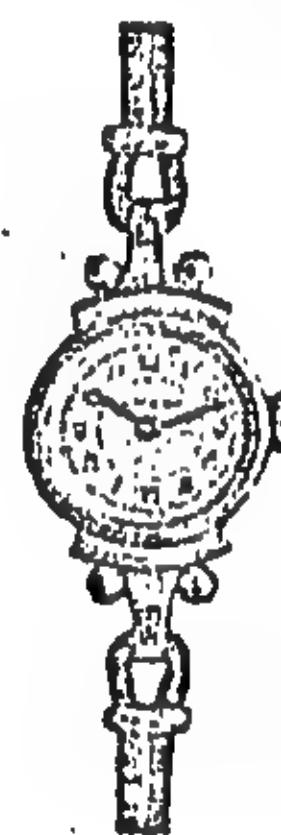
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You want your gifts to reflect sound judgment, to show your friends that you know exactly what is likely to please them most. And certainly you are not going to jeopardise this fine resolution by leaving matters to the last moment.

If that is the spirit in which you address yourself to the annual problem of gift buying, you will be open to ideas from every quarter.

The first suggestion is to try to put yourself in the place of each one of the recipients in turn.

If you were in his (or her) shoes what would you appreciate most?

Here you have to take into account such things as temperament, domestic circumstances, hobbies and other interests.

**THINK... LOOK... CHOOSE**

It is quite impossible to give a list of all the items likely to fit best into your list of Christmas gifts until all these considerations have been duly weighed.

A good plan is to begin, as suggested, by thinking of likely personal needs. Nearly everyone to whom you wish to give a Christmas present is one that you know well and the only difficulty is when people seem to have everything they need.

Still, there may be something they could do with in the home or garden, or, failing this, you will have to seek inspiration from the new season's novelties.

When you have taxed your imagination to the full, go out to the shops and stores and see the thousand and one attractive and useful items which had not occurred to you. Make a note of some of the brightest ideas which you are able to spot in the window and counter displays.

There are so many you cannot the thought behind the gift that deal more appreciated, especially if it is the type of article likely to last first reconnoitre, though, incidentally. How often that truth-is-misinterpreted-and-become-a-treasured-possession.

**A Page of Bright Ideas to Help You Solve Your Present Problems.**

interpreted to mean that any gift will do!

No. Where is the thought behind the Christmas present obviously bought in the last minute and posted too late to arrive in time?

The best days of all for gift buying are those of the coming week when you have the widest pick and can make a leisurely selection with no scramble to mar the pleasure of best selection still remains.

**SUGGESTIONS CLOSE AT HAND**

And the best time for reflection is to-day, when you should be able to find a few spare minutes to sit down quietly with pencil and paper and make a list of all the people to whom you would like to give a Christmas present.

Almost everyone throughout the country will, in fact, be doing this. If there is anything in mental telepathy the effect will be full of bright ideas. So put yourself in a right good generous frame of mind and contrive.

Again, why not something really seasonal? Nothing more obvious, perhaps, yet what could be more acceptable to any household than a Christmas hamper of good things to eat and drink?

**A GIFT YOU WOULD LIKE**

Think how much you yourself would appreciate such a gift, say a case of wines or spirit, to help you out with the entertaining you are sure to be doing over the holidays and the New Year.

One important hint to every gift buyer:

You know the old saying that it is

Hero you will see how easy it really is to depart from the more conventional form of Christmas gifts and select something a little out of the ordinary and likely to be a great success.

But do not overlook the helpful suggestions that are placed before your very eyes in this page.

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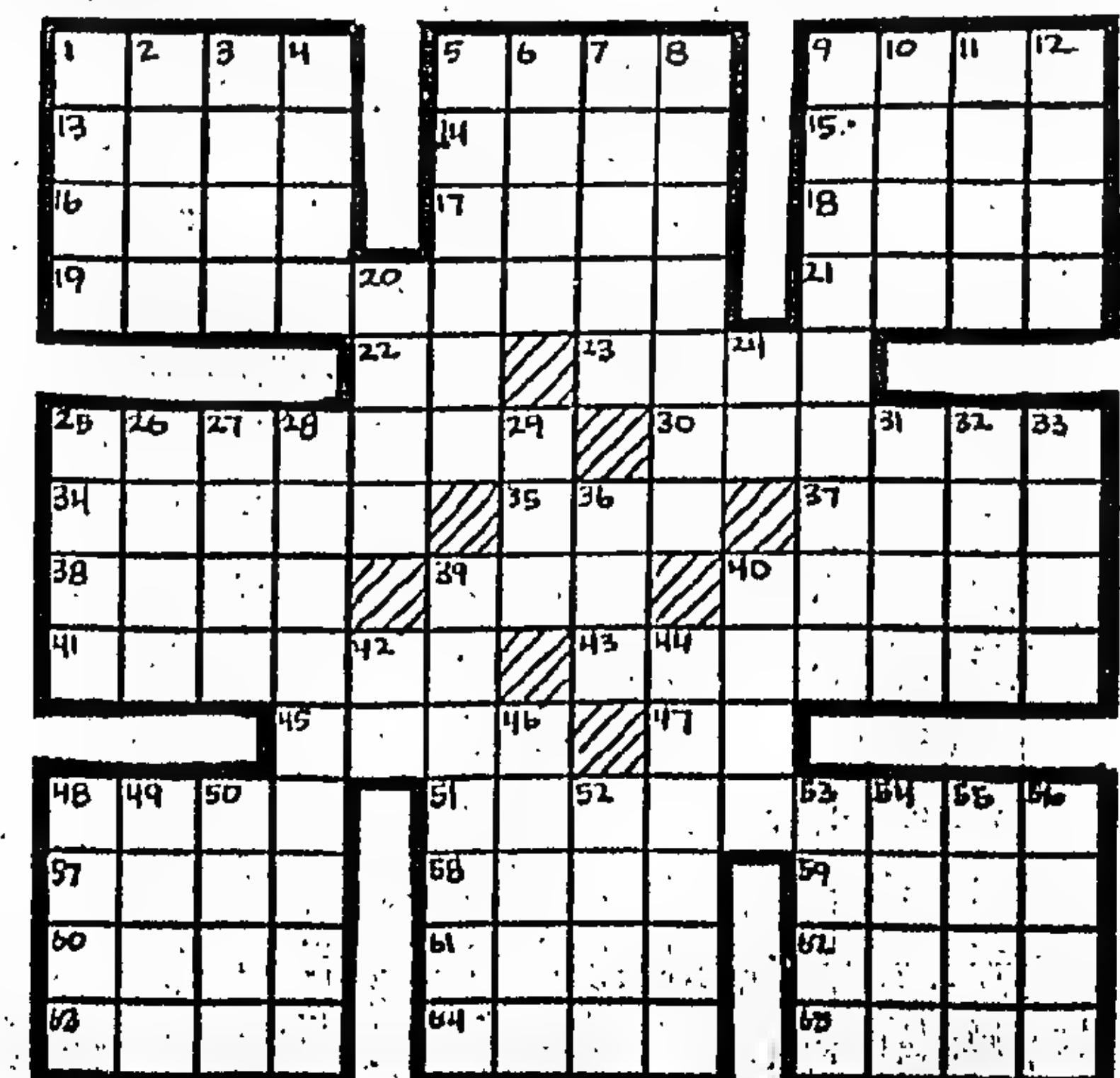
**Crossword Puzzle**

By LARS MORRIS  
ANSWER TO  
PREVIOUS PUZZLE

ACROSS

1—Match  
2—Eccentric pieces of  
machinery  
3—American fraternal  
order  
12—To sheltered side  
13—A name  
15—Fruit of pine  
16—Large extent  
17—Dense  
18—Common black bird  
19—Cereals, an idea  
21—Caterpillar  
22—Metric measure  
23—Arithmetical middle  
24—Faintly, dimly  
25—Looked, as for  
26—Pompeii  
27—Spanish cathedral  
28—Wander  
29—Pork  
30—Pork  
31—Cloth of day after  
32—Delightful (slang)  
33—Work  
34—District of Maus  
35—Maus  
36—Goli (Hebrew)  
37—Roman emperor  
38—Extreme admiration  
39—Lover, lover  
40—Make stupid  
41—Employed  
42—One in opposition

1—Metal  
2—Stares at  
3—Of smaller amount  
4—Narrow opening  
5—Dotted  
6—Dotted



## TURKEY—WITHOUT TEARS

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1. SERVE THE TURKEY ON A PLATE. CARVE THE LEG OUTWARD WITH A LARGE DISH AND, WHEREVER POSSIBLE, CARVE IT FROM A BACK TO BREAK AWAY.

2. USE A WELL-SHARPENED CARVING KNIFE AND A CARVING FORK.

3. PLACE THE TURKEY SO THAT THE NECK IS TO YOUR LEFT AND THE "TAIL" TO YOUR RIGHT.

4. START CARVING ON THE SIDE FACING YOU, CUT ONE LEG WORKING FROM THE BODY, GENTLY FORCING THE BONE.

5. NOW THE WING, INSERT THE FORK ACROSS THE TOP OF THE MEAT ON EACH PLATE. TEARING THE BREAST MEAT, AND SHARPLY SEVER THE WING FROM THE BODY WITH THE KNIFE.

6. REPLACE THE FORK OVER THE TOP OF THE BREASTBONE, SHOULD. BE CARVED MORE AND START TO CARVE THE THICKLY THAN THE WHITE AND BONE.

7. HAVING CARVED PRACTICALLY ALL THE MEAT FROM ONE SIDE OF THE BODY, PLACE A SERVING OF STUFFING WITH A SERVING OF STUFFING WITH

8. WHEN SLICING PORTIONS OF MEAT, THE DARK MEAT SHOULD BE CARVED MORE AND START TO CARVE THE THICKLY THAN THE WHITE AND BONE.

9. REPLACE THE FORK OVER THE TOP OF THE BREASTBONE, SHOULD. BE CARVED MORE AND START TO CARVE THE THICKLY THAN THE WHITE AND BONE.

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## Consul Tells How He Saved Hundreds

# SNATCHED FROM NAZI TERROR IN GERMANY

By E. P. MONTGOMERY  
HOW

Britain, through her diplomatic and consular representatives in Germany, helped and comforted thousands of Germans, victims of the tyranny and persecution of their own Nazi Government, was told to me by Mr. R. T. Smallbones, formerly H.M. Consul-General in Frankfurt-on-Main.

Mr. Smallbones saw the terrible effects of the pogrom which raged through Germany against the Jews last November after the von Rath murder.

His report on the Nazi persecutions of the Jews and the cruelties of the Buchenwald concentration camp make some of the most impressive reading in the Government White Paper on the ill-treatment of German nationals issued recently.

### Hide In The Woods

"During the first weeks of the terror," he told me, "we gave sanctuary in the Consulate to hundreds of people who would have been safe nowhere else. Men and women who did not dare to show their faces in the light would hide in the woods by day and creep into the Consulate at night for food and shelter.

They slept in the halls, in the dining-room, in the kitchen, on the

### MEIN DAMPF

HITLER has sent a corps of 7,000 water diviners to the Siegfried Line, according to a French report from Switzerland.

They have been told to find a remedy for the flooding which has followed the recent heavy rains in several parts of the line.

The German General Staff expressed doubts on the value of the corps, but Hitler silenced their objections.

He reminded them that in 1918, when "Big Bertha" was set up to shell Paris, water diviners were consulted to ensure that the gun emplacements would remain perfectly

stairs. My wife and daughter, my staff of 11, even my servants, turned to and helped to give them what food and comfort we could.

"We instituted a system of numbered metal discs, which Miss Turnbull handed out in order to save people from standing drearily in a queue for hours. Each one knew his turn and could go away and come back when his time drew near.

"We had 450 of them, and usually they were quickly exhausted so you can judge how many people we were dealing with.

"Miss Turnbull was a miracle of tact and patience, listening to each one's story as if it were the most important of all, sorting them out into the proper categories, directing them to the appropriate official to deal with their cases.

"This was provided, their maintenance was guaranteed by friends, relatives or charitable organisations.

### "Letters Of Promise"

"I worked closely with my American colleague in Stuttgart, and as soon as the formalities for immigration into the United States were complete I would issue a 'Letter of Promise,' which gave the refugee a promise of a British visa when he could obtain his German passport.

"These 'Letters of Promise' were regarded almost as talismans, for with them the relatives of men in the concentration camps could obtain their release, and possession of them made the holders safe against further molestation by the police and the S.S.

"During the worst of the terror we were besieged with applicants for the letters, often trying to deal with as many as 800 to 1,000 a day.

"People would begin to gather in the Consulate garden long before dawn, and by 8 o'clock, when we opened the doors, there would be hundreds waiting.

"Miss Turnbull, the 23-year-old English teacher who had come in to help, would stand on a table in the hall to deal with the first rush.

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### Her Own Fiance

"One day she had to hand out a number to her own fiance, a German who was trying to get out.

"In the main, the people who came to us were mostly women with husbands, sons or brothers in the concentration camps. Some had to bring their children with them not daring to leave them alone at home.

"All of us had to work long hours to keep abreast of the rush. In addition to the hundreds of interviews daily we had to deal with 200 to 300 applications day by post.

"My own record, I think, was four days at my desk with six and a half hours' sleep. And the others on my staff worked just as hard, or harder.

"All through November, December and January the persecutions—and our work—went on. Then things became a little easier, because the German-Jewish Aid Committee took over some of the work of investigation into means of subsistence and ultimate destination.

"Even so, we continued right up to noon on September 1, forty-eight hours before war was declared, with our job of trying to give those frightened, distressed and suffering people our help. If I may say so—England's help."

## SABOTAGE PLOT IN U.S.

### Nazis Try To Blow Up Queen Mary

#### NEW YORK.

Elaborate precautions have been taken to strengthen the guard on the world's two largest and fastest liners, the Queen Mary and the Normandie, following a warning from the United States Navy Intelligence Department that an attempt may be made within the next few days to damage one of these vessels.

The greatest secrecy is maintained concerning the nature of the information which led to this step being taken.

The first indication of anything unusual was the arrival at the dock, where the merchant flagships of Britain and France are tied up side by side, possibly for the duration of the war, of some of the highest officials of the Police Department.

Amongst them were Chief Inspector Louis Costuma, who played an important part in the arrangements for the visit of the King and Queen to New York in June, Second Deputy Commissioner Francis Kear and Capt. George Mitchell, head of the newly-formed sabotage squad.

They spent more than an hour aboard the two liners, discussing the situation with the officers, and when they left the regular guard of 15 policemen was increased to 30.

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The Cunard White Star and French Lines in New York confirmed the reports that they had been warned of a possible sabotage attempt.

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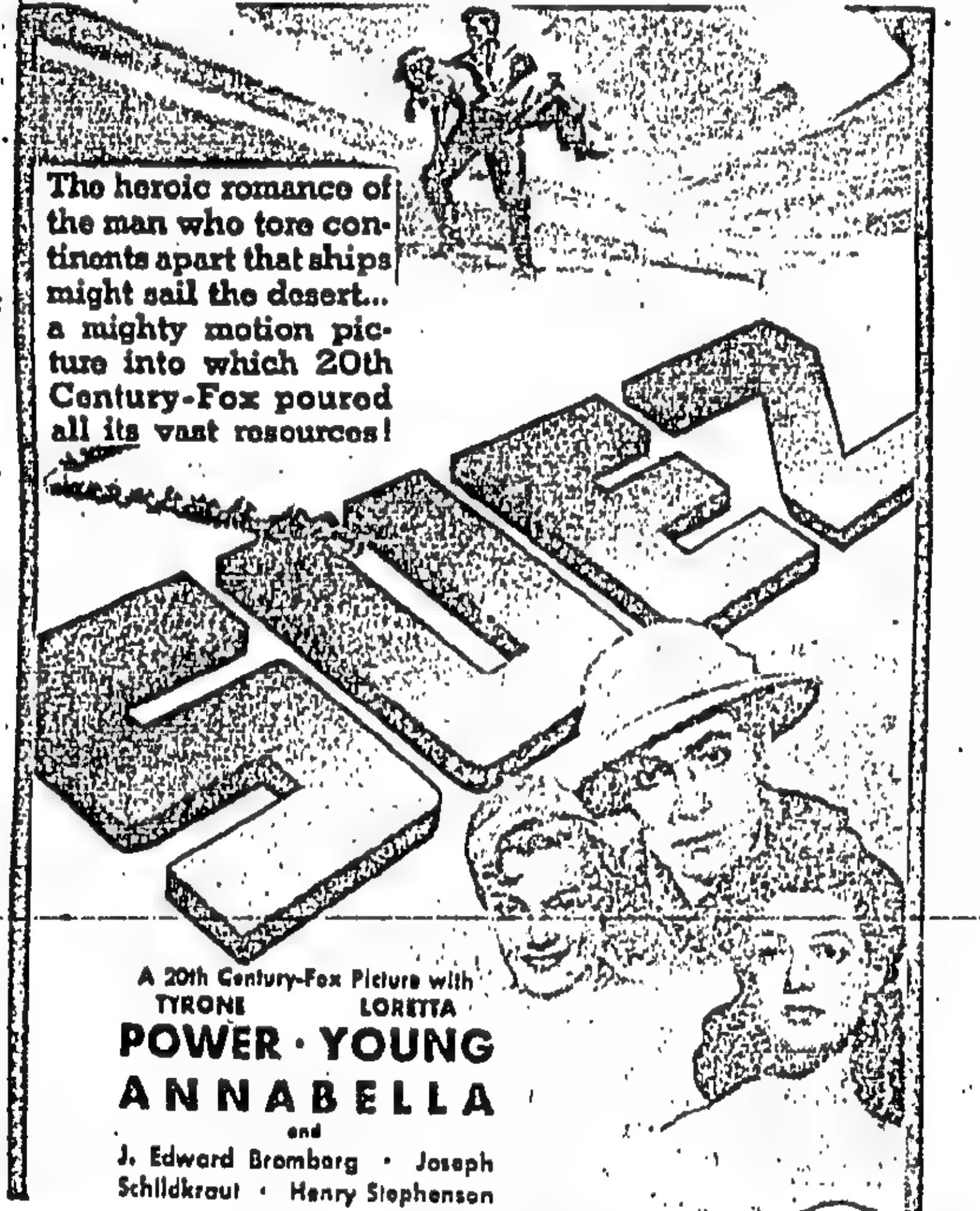
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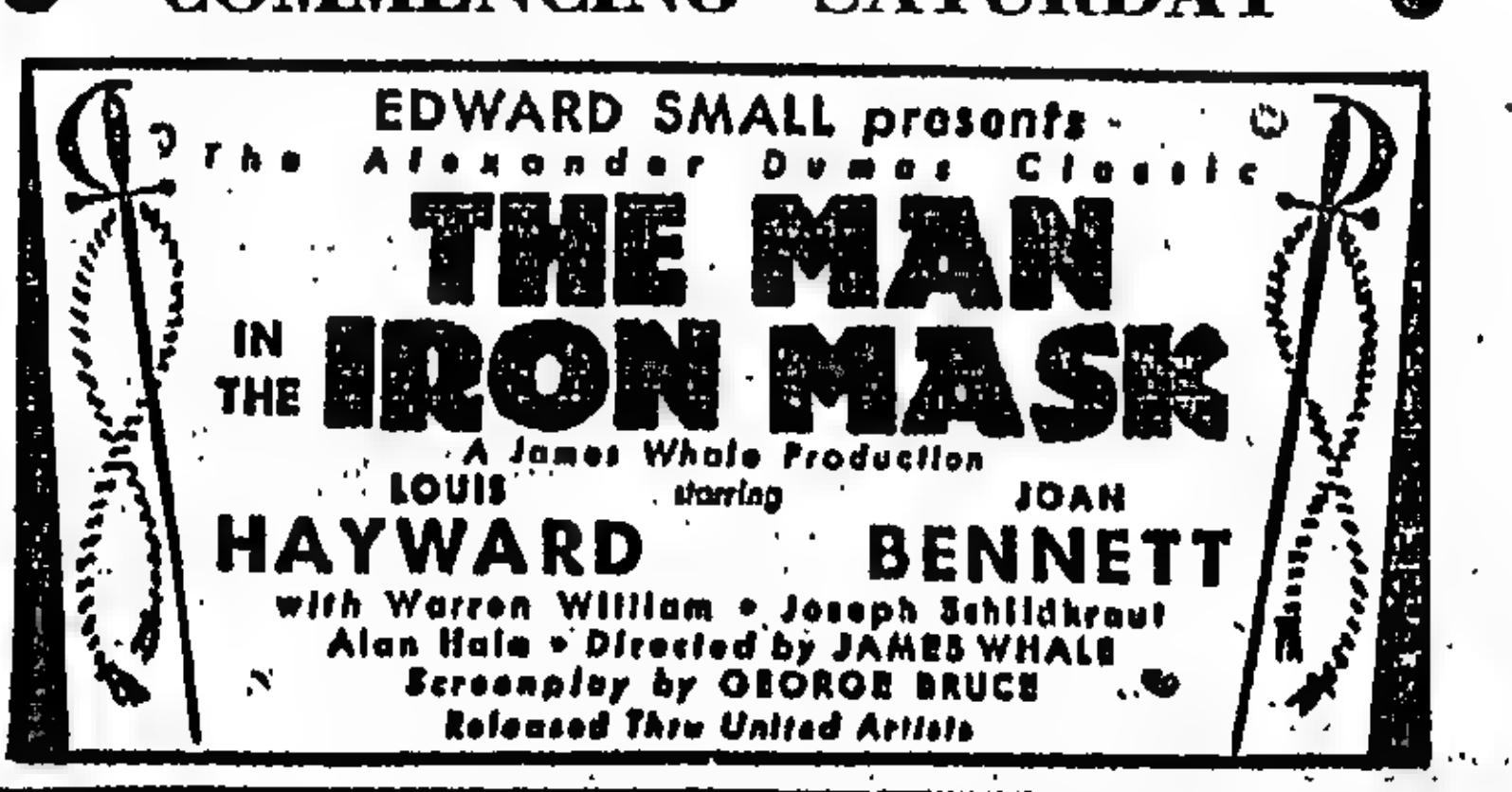


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## British Anti-Aircraft Work In France

# MEN WHOSE LIVES ARE SERIES OF ALARMS

By E. A. MONTAGUE

Somewhere in France, why it is so difficult and dangerous for German planes to come reconnoitring over our Army area. I had gone to visit an anti-aircraft battery which protects a valuable railway station from air attack, and had splashed my way through the mud to where one of its sections was located.

Suddenly the section commander broke off his explanations to blow three blasts on his whistle; the section observers had seen a plane. Gunners rushed out of their dug-outs and manned the guns. The men at the height-finders and predictors shouted strings of incomprehensible figures and the guns obediently swung round in concert, searching for the plane, so distant that I could hardly see it. Within a few seconds of the alarm they were on the target, and following its course ready to fire the instant that it was identified as an enemy. In a minute or two, however, the section commander lowered his glasses and gave the order "Stand easy." It was a friendly plane, and the gun crews went back to their dug-outs to wait till the whistle should call them out again.

### MANY ALARMS

That is the daily routine of one of the most uncomfortable jobs in the Expeditionary Force. Always the observers, taking half-hour shifts turn and turn about, are sweeping the sky with their glasses. As soon as a plane is sighted, however far away, they give the alarm, and the section stands to. Not until the section commander has identified the plane as harmless is the tension relaxed. On a fine day there may be thirty or forty alarms between dawn and dusk. I saw three in less than ten minutes, all of them abortive. In the intervals the men have to strengthen their defences and keep their dug-outs in good repair. On a wet day there are few alarms, but most work is also impossible, so that boredom takes the place of constant, jerky activity.

The anti-aircraft gunners have been issued with a higher proportion of gumboots than any other branch except the signallers, and they need them. The gun positions are difficult to hide, and so the gunners have to build dug-outs for their protection against machine-gun attack from the air. In those dug-outs they live throughout a much longer working day than falls to most of us. In some mysterious way their stoves makes them not unpleasant on a winter day, but the ground around them is as muddy as any I have seen in France.

### The Other Enemies

Such is the life of the men who keep ceaseless watch and ward over our Army. Their job is a skilled one, involving a good deal of delicate instrument work, and certain parts of it, such as the observing, cannot be done adequately except by certain types of men. Their enemies are mud and boredom—the enemies of everybody, but their great longing is to fire their guns at a hostile target. They have had weeks now of standing to again and again, but the section whom I saw had not yet had a single alarm that was genuine.

They might be excused for relaxing unconsciously, but one sees no signs of it. Their vigilance, and the other systems which exists for reporting all hostile planes, provide together a complete protection against surprise.

In spite of the conditions of their life they seem well and on the whole happy. They get accustomed to dropping a hand of solo in order to rush out of the dug-out, and to shovelling mud which runs off the spade as you lift it. Like nearly all the men here they long for dart boards, and wonder suddenly when they are going to see one of these concert parties that the papers are always telling them about.

## CHOLERA INCIDENCE

Sir Henry Pollock  
Queries The  
Government

A question regarding the recent incidence of Cholera in the Colony will be asked by Hon. Sir Henry Pollock at to-day's meeting of the Legislative Council. Sir Henry will

"In view of the statement in the Government Gazette on December 8 that Hongkong is declared an infected port on account of Cholera in Bangkok, Tientsin, Netherlands Indies, Singapore, Federated Malay States, Amoy, Egypt, Palestine, Tsingtao, Shanghai and the Philippine Islands, will the Government state how many cases of Cholera have been reported in this Colony during each of the five weeks up to December 8?"

Also on the agenda is a resolution to be moved by the Attorney General that the style of the offices of the Monopoly Analyst be changed to that of Government Analyst (Monopoly) and of Government Analyst (to Government Chemist).

The Attorney General will move the second and third readings of the following Bills:

A Bill to amend the Vagrancy Ordinance, 1897.

A Bill to amend further the Rating Ordinance, 1901.

A Bill to amend yet further the Volunteer Ordinance, 1933.

The Attorney General will move the third reading of the following Bill:

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Prevention of Eviction Ordinances, 1938 and 1939.

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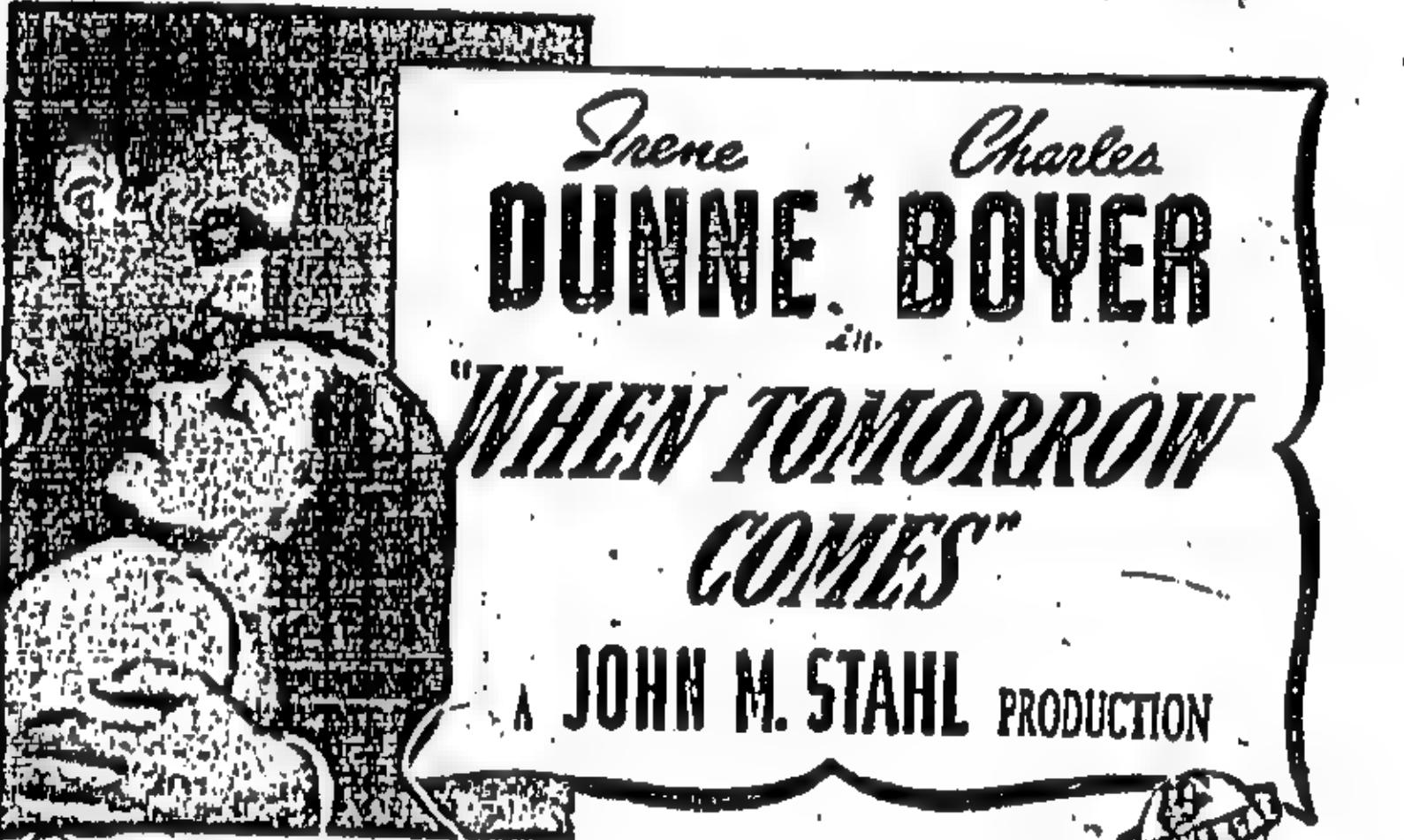
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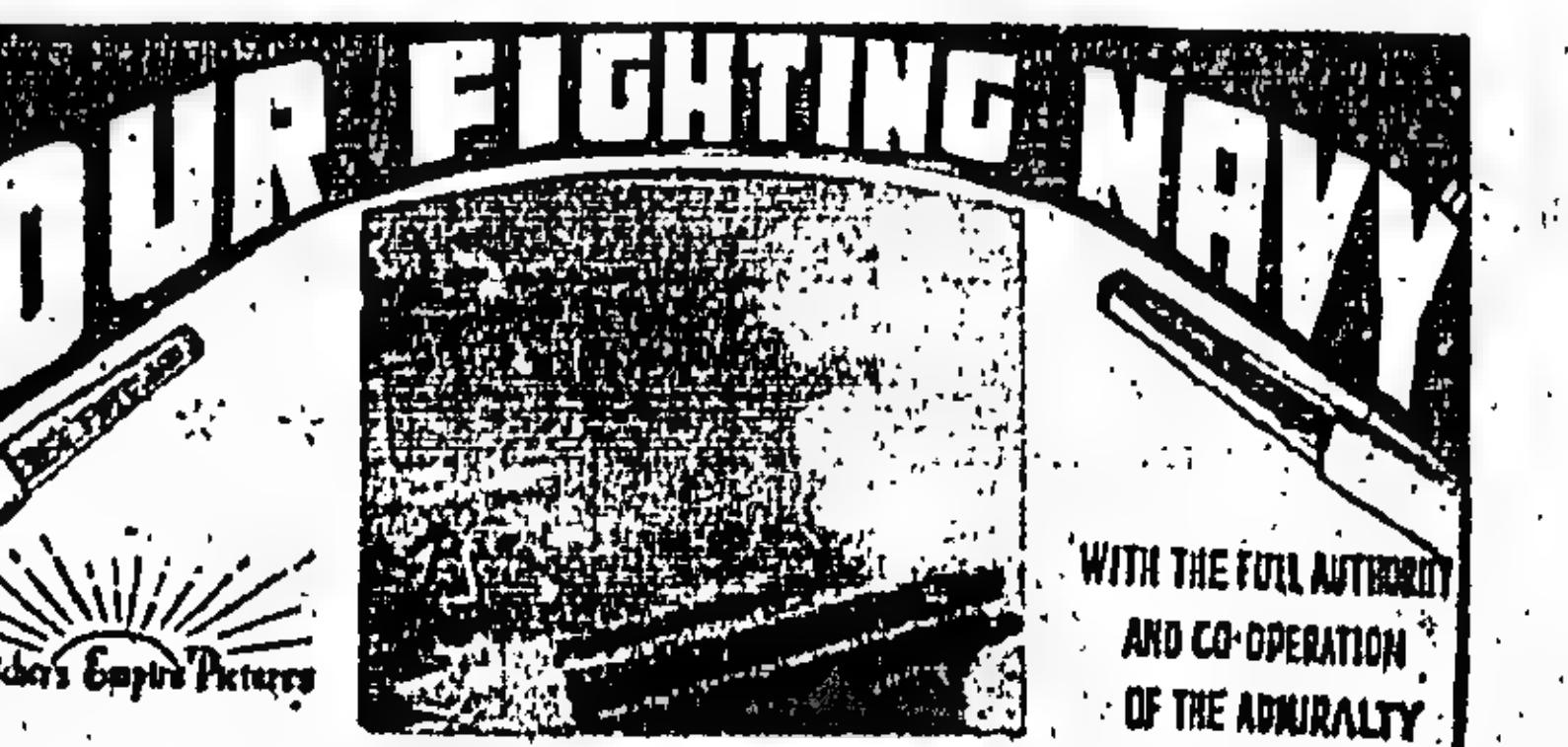
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## Dramatic Story of War's Biggest Sea Battle

# ADMIRAL SCHEER HIT Now Lies Trapped in Neutral Waters Near Montevideo

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Dec. 14 (UP).—THE BRITISH ADMIRALTY ANNOUNCES: "ACCORDING TO INFORMATION RECEIVED IN LONDON, THE BRITISH CRUISERS EXETER, ACHILLES AND AJAX HAVE CONTACTED THE GERMAN CRUISER ADMIRAL SCHEER."

"IT APPEARS THAT H.M.S. EXETER WAS DAMAGED BY THE SUBSEQUENT NAVAL ACTION, AND WAS FORCED TO DROP OUT OF THE ENGAGEMENT AFTER A FOUR-HOUR BATTLE."

"IT ALSO APPEARS THAT THE ADMIRAL SCHEER WAS HIT."

"She is now seeking refuge in Uruguayan territorial waters in the River Plate, and the latest report is that she has anchored in the outer port of Montevideo, where she is trapped."

"H.M.S. Achilles and H.M.S. Ajax continue in pursuit of the enemy."

"It appears that the British cruisers contacted the Admiral Scheer at 6 a.m. on Wednesday."

Behind this brief Admiralty announcement is one of the most exciting and dramatic stories of the war.

It foretells the doom of one of Germany's two marauding 10,000-ton "pocket battleships."

She cannot hope to escape the British cruisers which, although

equipped with inferior armaments, have such vastly superior speed that the German ship cannot hope to elude them before larger and more powerful British battle-cruisers or battleships arrive on the scene.

The British cruisers and the Nazi pocket battleship came into contact off the Rio de la Plata (the River Plate) yesterday afternoon, according to an announcement by the British Embassy in Buenos Aires.

Although overwhelmed by the superior armaments of the German raider, the British cruisers closed in to engage the enemy.

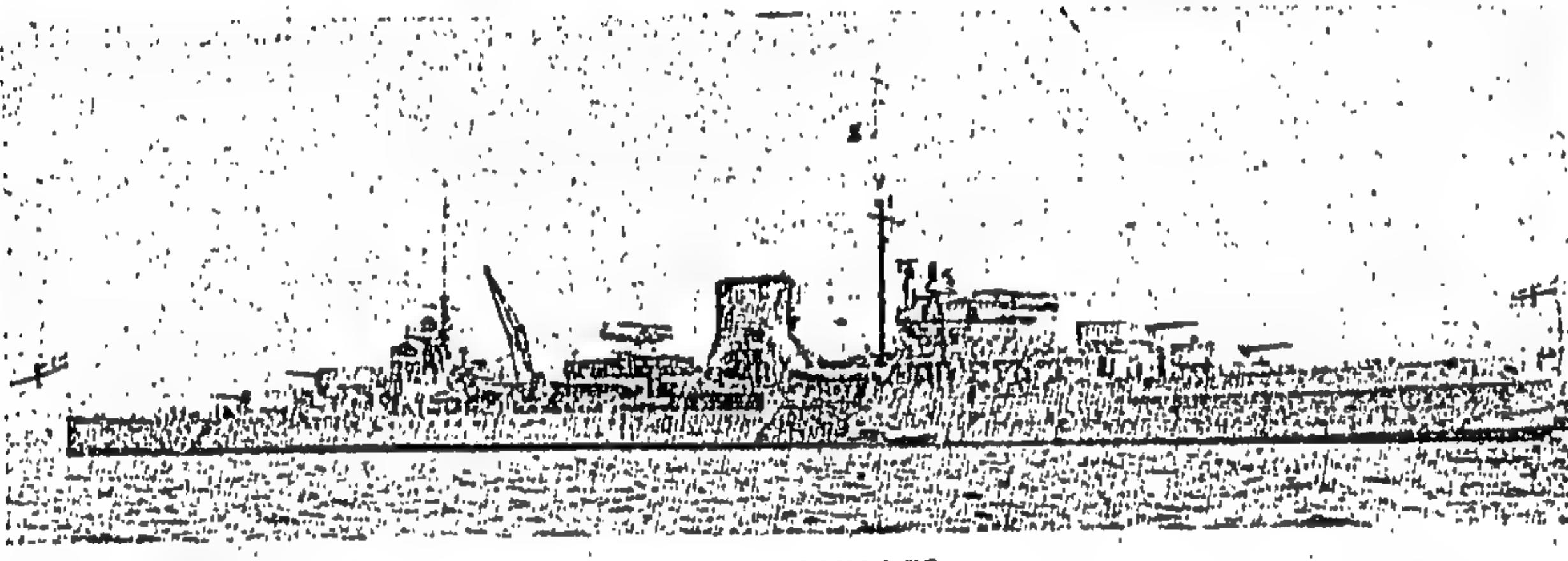
Unofficial reports at first suggested that the 7,030-ton cruiser Achilles, flagship of the New Zealand Squadron, had been sunk, but these were denied.

The British Embassy announced that, although some damage had been done to both British and enemy ships, no vessel had been lost.

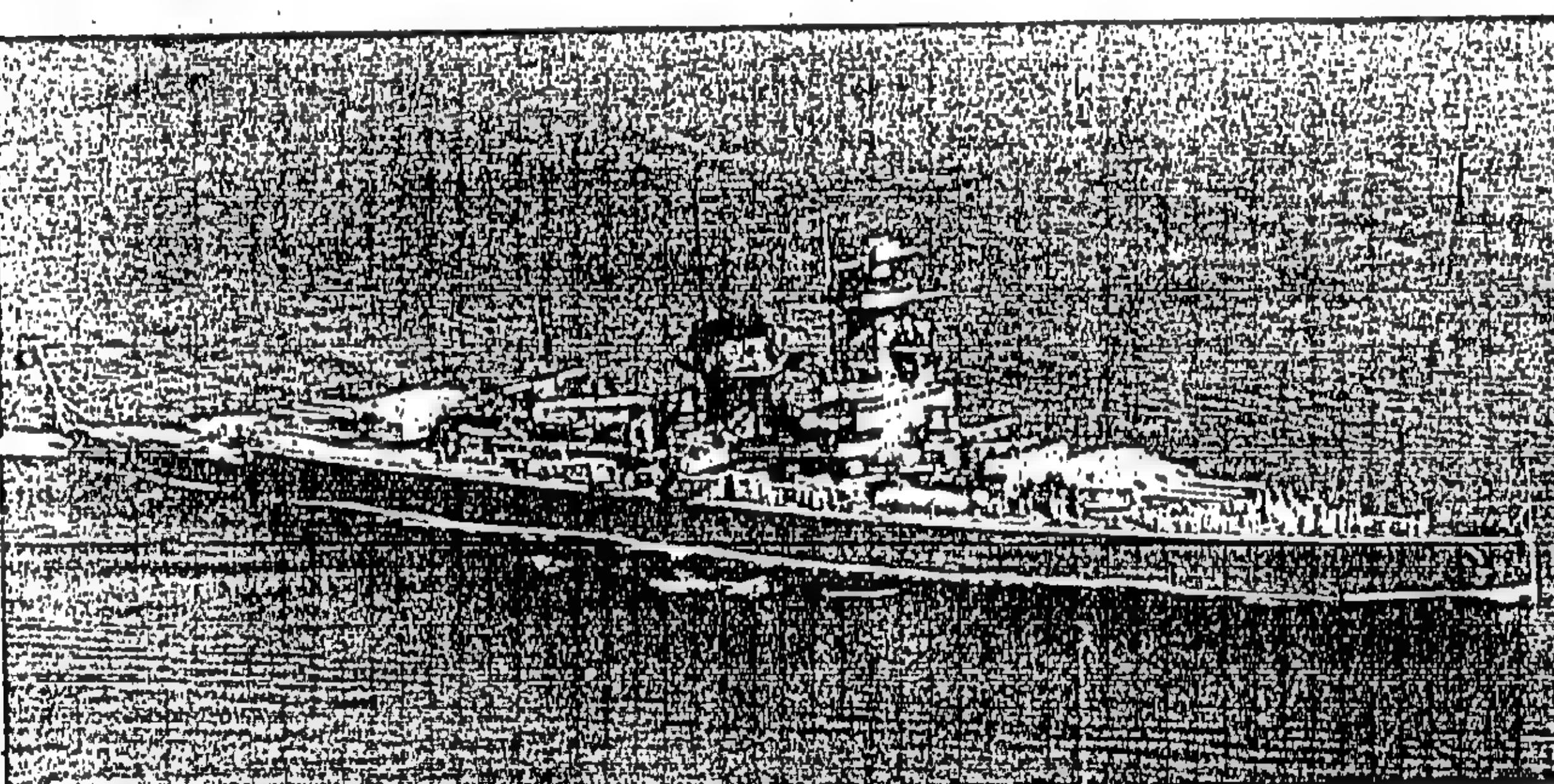
The British Legation in Montevideo, issuing a supplementary statement, says that the engagement was still in progress yesterday evening.

The battle was taking place

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H.M.S. ACHILLES.



THE POCKET BATTLESHIP ADMIRAL SCHEER.

## Decisive Battle In Finland Awaited

# FINNISH TROOPS ON SOVIET SOIL

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINKI, Dec. 14 (Domei).—For the first time since the outbreak of hostilities, Finnish troops have succeeded in setting foot on Russian soil, according to unconfirmed reports reaching here.

A spirited thrust along the Leningrad-Murmansk Railway, in the northern front, has succeeded not only in driving the Reds from Finnish soil in this sector, but in permitting the Finns to advance into Russian territory.

## Explosion Aboard Battleship

Seven Men Killed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 14 (UP).—Seven members of the crew of the obsolete 3,415-ton Swedish armoured battleship *Mansalga* were killed outright to-day by a terrific explosion.

The explosion occurred when a small boat from the battleship went to investigate an "object" found floating in the water near Vinga, in the vicinity of Gothenburg.

The *Mansalga* was launched in 1903. She is employed in coastal patrol and training duties.

The Finns are believed to be attempting to cut the Soviet railway, and thus intercept the transport of Soviet troops and supplies towards the Petsamo (Arctic) front.

Russian Gains

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Dec. 14 (UP).—Finnish sources admit that the Russians are now in possession of Salla.

In gaining the city, the Russians lost 7,000 men. Finnish losses were only 250.

The Finns are concentrating large forces near Salla, which they hope to recapture.

Latest Soviet Claims

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, Dec. 14 (UP).—The Red Army communiqué states: "The Red troops have advanced a total of 63 miles towards Ulkta.

"Klin, on the Rikkaranta-Serdobul railway, has been occupied."

Enormous Soviet Losses

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 14 (UP).—Reports from the border claim that

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## Six Hundred Feared Lost In Shocking Sea Disaster

### Nazi Mines Take Toll.

### Several Neutral Ships Sunk

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Dec. 14 (UP).—Nazi U-Boats and magnetic mines still continue to claim neutral and British victims.

Latest sinkings are:

British freighter *Deptford* (4,034-

tons), torpedoed north of Bergen.

Only five of the crew of 35 are believed to have been saved.

Swedish tanker *Algoc*, sinking in

Baltic after striking a German mine.

Two Swedish warships are racing to

the rescue.

British collier *Warwick* (4,000-ton),

blown to pieces by a mine off the east

coast. Six of the crew of eleven are missing.

Swedish steamer *Toro* (1,477-

tons), sunk by German mine off the

south coast of Denmark. Crew

rescued.

Danish steamer *Magnum*, torpedoed

off Scottish coast on Saturday. Entire

crew, excepting one man, drowned.

Seven Of Crew Saved

OSLO, Dec. 13 (Reuters).—The

London steamer, *Deptford*, 4,000 tons,

was torpedoed off Stad and sank

immediately.

Seven of her crew of 30 were picked

up by Norwegian vessels.

Two Norwegian pilots were among

the dead.

*Deptford* Torpedoed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Dec. 14 (UP).—The

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### NAZI CRUISER SUNK BY SUBMARINE

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Dec. 14 (UP).—The Admiralty announced that the British submarine that sighted the *Bremen* and permitted the

German liner to proceed without attempting to

launch her torpedoes, has claimed two German naval

victims.

One of the victims is a German

cruiser, of undetermined size. The enemy

cruiser was torpedoed.

In addition, the British

submarine sank a German

U-Boat in a naval engagement

which took place shortly after the *Bremen* was

sighted.

Det. Sgt. Johnston said Leung was

on \$25 a week. When her residence in

Canton Road was searched, the police

found over \$1,000 in cash in boxes.

Mr. Macfadyen told Leung not to

beg as she had quite a fortune. She

was cautioned.

## Had Fortune, But Begged

With a fortune of about \$1,000 in

cash, Leung Kiu, 58, widow, was

charged this morning before Mr.

Macfadyen at Kowloon Magistracy

and Kowloon.

Meanwhile the port authori-

ties have given their permission

for the removal of 30 dead and

60 wounded from the *Admiral*

*Scandinavian*.

## ADMIRAL SCHEER CASUALTIES

### 30 Killed And 60 Wounded

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 14 (Reuters).—It is reported that the *Admiral Scheer* has arrived at Montevideo, badly damaged.

Thirty of the crew were killed in the engagement with the British cruisers and 60 wounded.

A "United Press" report says that the *Exeter*, *Achilles* and *Ajax* have arrived in the outer harbour.

Meanwhile the port authorities have given their permission for the removal of 30 dead and 60 wounded from the *Admiral Scheer*.

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Further Late News





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## H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

### BANKS

H.K. Banks \$.	1.30 b.
H.K. Banks (Lon. Reg.)	2.82 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K. Reg.)	2.85 n.
Chartered £.	8.8 n.
Mercantile, A. & B. £.	20.4 n.
Mercantile, C. £.	11.4 n.
East Asia \$.	7.3 b.

### INSURANCES

Canton \$.	220 n.
Union \$.	305 b.
China Underwriter \$.	1.4 n.
H.K. Fire \$.	100 n.

### SHIPPING

Douglas \$.	71.4 b.
Stenbarks \$.	11 b.
Indo-China \$.	30 b.
Indo-China, D.S.	50 b.
Shells (Bowers) \$.	70.45 b.
Waterborts \$.	30.10 n.

### DOCKS ETC.

Wharves \$.	101.4 n.
Docks \$.	\$10.30 b. & n.
Providents \$.	4.50 n.
New Eng. Sh.	10.00 n.
Sh. Docks Sh. \$.	105 n.

### MINING

Kinlau \$.	17 n.
Rauba \$.	10.50 n.
Venz. Gold \$.	4 n.
H.K. Mines \$.	4 cts. n.

### LANDS

Hotels \$.	5.00 b.
Lands \$.	33.4 b.
Lands 4% Deb. \$.	100 n.
Shui Lands Sh. \$.	10.40 n.
Humphreys \$.	7.60 b.
H.K. Realties \$.	4.40 b.
Chinese Estates \$.	102 b. & n.

### UTILITIES

Trams \$.	16.4 b.
Peak Trams (old) \$.	8 n.
Peak Trams (new) \$.	4 n.
Star Ferries \$.	66 b.
Y. Ferries \$.	23.4 b.
China Lights (old) \$.	8.00 b. & n.
China Lights (new) \$.	4.75 b.
H.K. Electric \$.	82.4 n.
Macao Electric \$.	18.4 b.
Sandakan Lights \$.	11.4 b.
Telephones (old) \$.	24.00 n.
Telephones (new) \$.	8.00 n.
Tractions \$/.	18.3 n.
Tractions (Pref.) \$/.	18.8 n.

### INDUSTRIES

Cald. Magg. (Ord.) \$.	14.00 n.
Cald Magg. (Pref.) \$.	13 n.
Canton Ice \$.	9.00 n.
Cements \$.	10.40 s.
H.K. Ropes \$.	5.50 b.

### STORES, &c.

Dairy Farms (old) \$.	20.00 b.
Dairy Farms (new) \$.	19.4 b.
Wilson \$.	9.00 n.
Lane, Crawford \$.	7.2 n.
Sinceres \$.	1.50 n.
Wing On (H.K.) \$.	41 n.
Powell, Ltd. \$.	1 n.

### COTTON MILLS

Ewo Sh. \$.	27 n.
Shai Cotton Sh. \$.	102 n.
Zoong Sing Sh. \$.	42 n.
Wing On Textiles, Sh. \$.	48.4 n.

### MISC.

H.K. Entertainments \$.	40 b.
Constructions (old) \$.	1.75 n.
Constructions (new) \$.	1.1 n.
Vibre Piling \$.	8.4 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G. Bonds.	47.7 n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan.	100 n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan.	97.5 n.
Marsmans (Lon.) \$.	14.70 n.
Marsmans (H.K.) \$/.	47 n.

### MANILA SHARES

Following are sales and bid prices:	Dec. 13. Dec. 14.
Antamok.	.15 .15
Ato.	.19 B .18 B
Bigot's Gold.	.011 B .012 B
Botong Buhey.	.011 B .012 B
Benguet Cons.	Unq. Unq.
Big Wedge.	.204 B .201 B
Cons. Mines.	.002 B .002 B
Demonstratos.	.104 .107
East Mindanao.	.104 .107
East. Min.	.012 .013
Ipo Gold.	.14 .13 B
Hogen Mining.	.28 .28 B
Mambulao Cons.	.013 .013
Min. Co.	.004 .004
Min. Motherlode.	.004 .004
Mine Operations.	.094 B .094 B
North. Carabines.	.14.4 B .14.4 B
Pearl. Gold.	.19 .19
San Mauricio.	.15 B .15 B
Surigao Cons.	.15 B .15 B
Suyoc Cons.	.15 B .15 B
United Paracale.	.314 B .32 B

The following is Swan, Culbertson & Fritz' report on this morning's market:

Trading on the Manila Gold Share market continued dull and uninteresting with price changes negligible. The average moved slightly higher on a small volume.

Both IXL and Ipo Gold went ex-dividend to be bid below the previous sales 1 1/2 and one centavo respectively. Ipo Gold was up one-half centavo, as was Suyoc and United Paracale.

### Nino Lost With Ship

LONDON, Dec. 14 (Reuter).—The crew of a British tanker torpedoed in the Atlantic arrived yesterday at a south coast port.

They stated that if the U-boat had given only three minutes' warning, all aboard could have been saved.

Nine men went down with the ship, however.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

### HONG KONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the above Society will be held at the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. (by kind permission) on Tuesday, the 19th December, 1939, at 5.15 p.m.

J. T. DAGRAM,  
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Hongkong, 6th December, 1939.

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T.T. Japan	.103 1/4
T.T. India	.82 1/4
T.T. U.S.A.	.24 1/4
T.T. Manila	.48 1/4
T.T. Batavia	.45 1/4
T.T. Bangkok	.140 1/4
T.T. Saigon	.108 1/4
T.T. Switzerland	.107 1/4
T.T. Australia	.10/14

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4 m/s L/C London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s D/B do.	1/3 1/4
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	.25 1/4
4 m/s France	.11.40
30 d/s India	.64 n.
U.S. Cross rate in Lon.	4.02
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	3.03 1/4

As per sale plan.

### Ladies Day In Court

### Motoring Offences Net Fines

Several women drivers were summoned for various traffic offences before Mr. Forrest at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Mrs. M. Johnstone, of May Road, was fined \$10 for leaving her car in Des Voeux Road Central for an unnecessary time on November 17. She admitted the offence by letter.

Miss M. J. Paterson, of Conduit Road, was fined \$10 on two summonses for causing an obstruction with her car in Peak Road, near Queen's Garden on November 18, and driving in a closed road, namely, May Road, without permission.

Miss N. M. Bascombe, of the Bellisio Public Girls' School, summons for leaving her car in Queen's Road Central for an unnecessary time on November 20, was fined \$5. A representative appeared on her behalf.

### SIX HUNDRED FEARED LOST IN SHOCKING SEA DISASTER

(Continued from Page 1.)

British Admiralty confirms that the steamer Deptford was torpedoed by a German U-boat in Norwegian territorial waters.

The steamer sank within sixty seconds.

"This is the third instance in the last few days of violation of Norwegian neutrality," the Admiralty statement points out.

Nine men went down with the ship, however.

## C. R.

### PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS

of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 18th day of December, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at To Kwa Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

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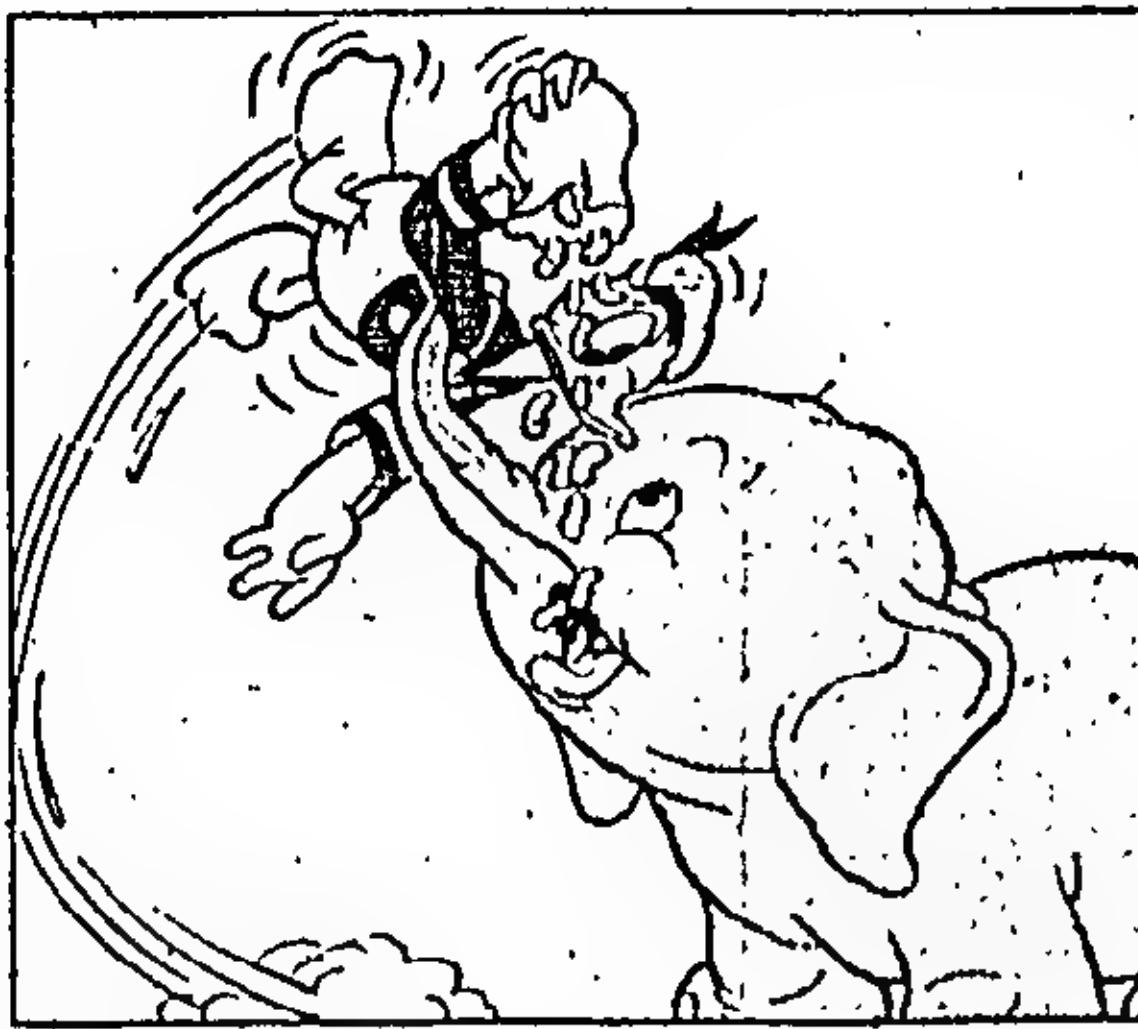
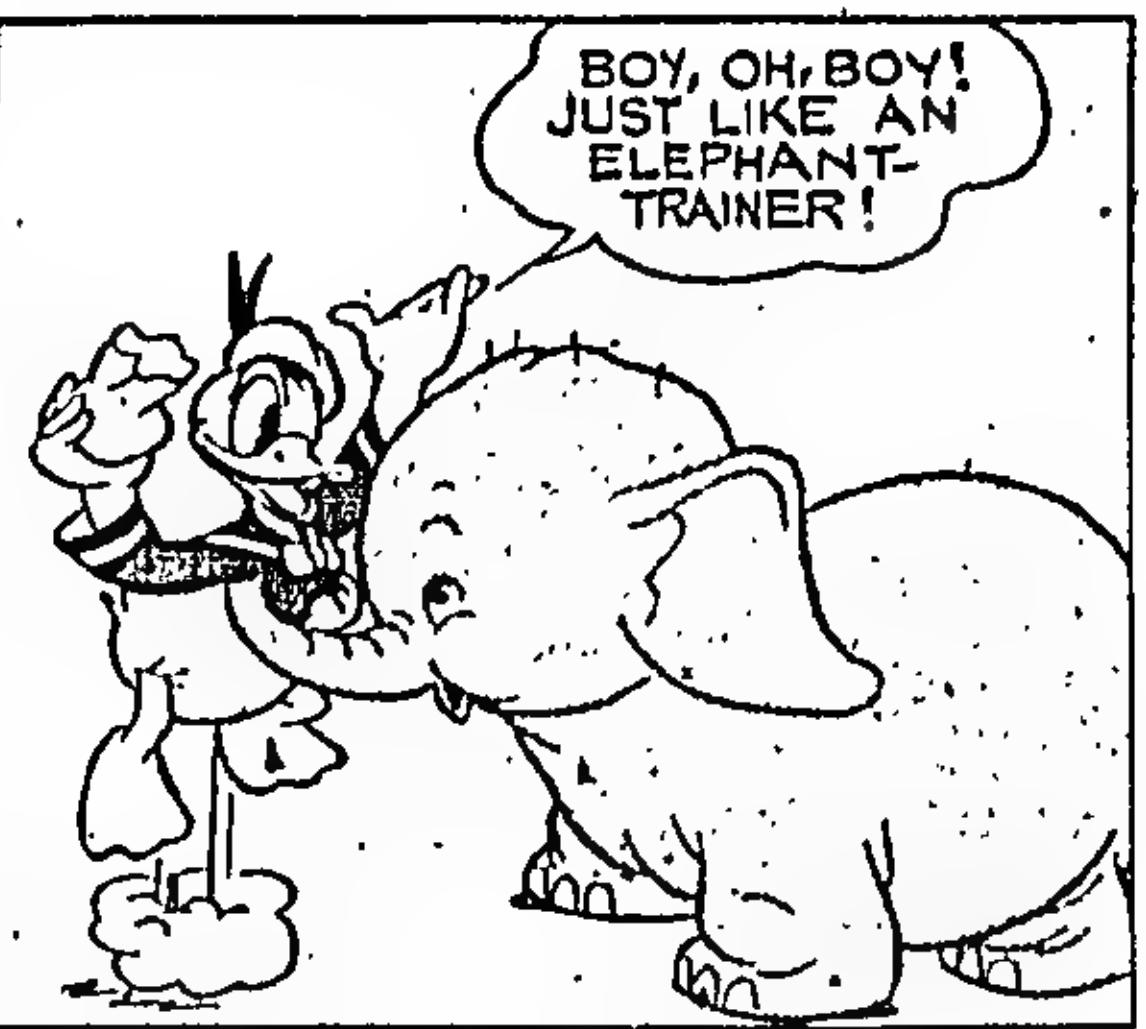
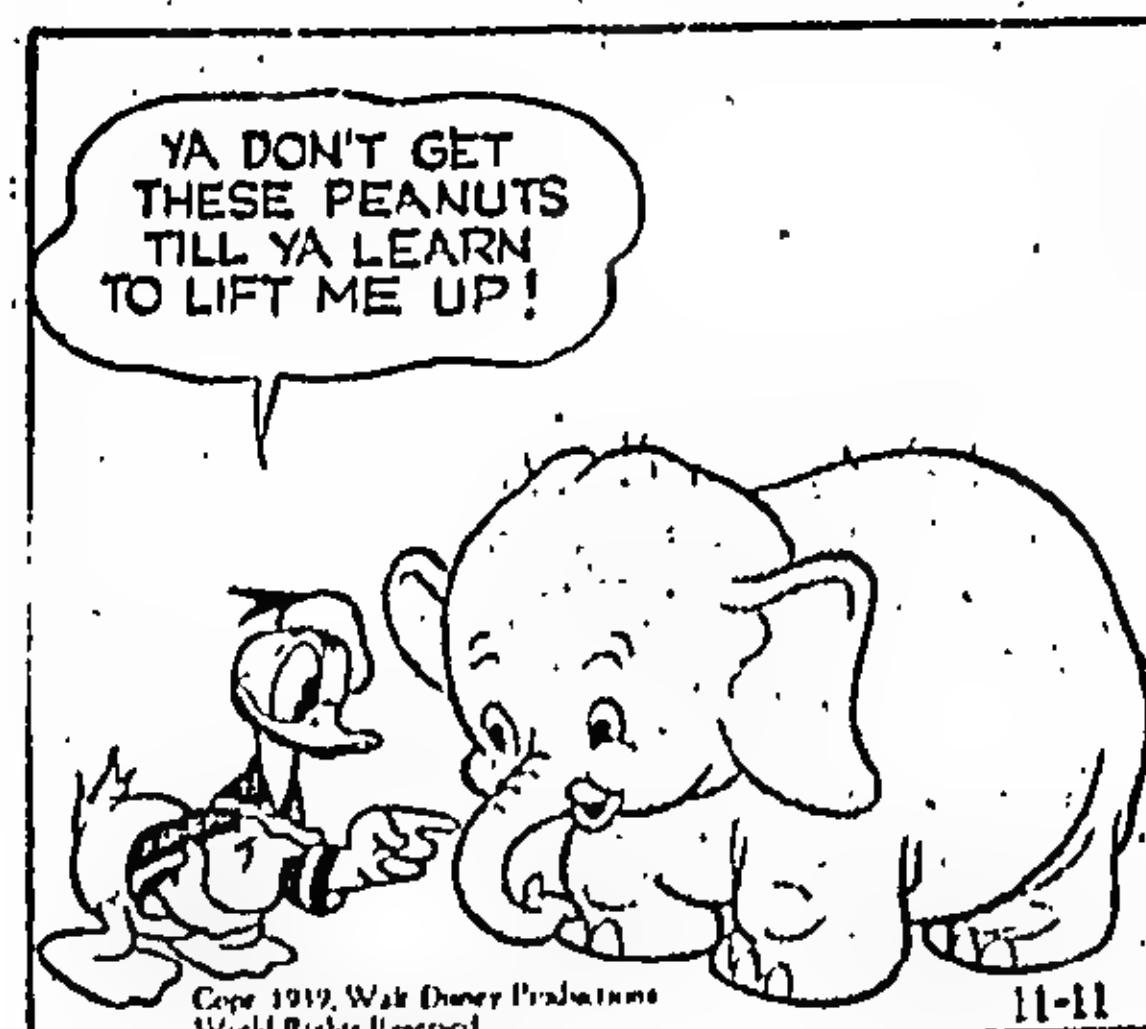
## ADMIRAL SCHEER HIT

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off Punta do Leste, in Uruguayan waters near Montevideo. Another report says that the sound of heavy gunfire was still audible at 5.30 p.m. at Punta de Leste, in the prefecture of Amarilima, east of Montevideo.

At 6.30 p.m., an unidentified warship, but having all the appearances of and presumably being the Admiral Scheer, was sighted twenty

## DONALD DUCK



THE BREMEN

## SUBMARINE APPLAUSED

## Nazi Liner's Escape Aided By Law

LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter).—No official information is yet available as to whether an attempt was made by the British submarine to take the Bremen as a prize.

The German version is that the submarine attempted to attack.

Lord Strabolgi, formerly Lieut. Commdr. Kennedy, who was on the Admiralty Staff in the last war, upholds the action of the submarine commander in not torpedoing the Bremen.

"We are fighting this war to ensure international law. If there were German aeroplanes in the vicinity, the submarine could not come to the surface and she was precluded by international law from torpedoing the Bremen out of hand while submerged.

"This shows that as commerce controllers, submarines are unsuitable unless established international law is disregarded.

"The Bremen, however, is of no more use to Germany in a German harbour than she was at Murmansk.

"She is too large to arm as a cruiser, too expensive in fuel and too large to act as a transport."

Lord Strabolgi added that the Bremen had much in her favour in eluding British warships because of the long nights and the possibility

## ARRESTED FOR ESPIONAGE

## Four Italians Held In Brussels

BRUSSELS, Dec. 13 (Reuter).—Four Italians have been arrested at Liege on charges of espionage.

Three of them are of German origin.

They are said to have spread Nazi propaganda and to have asked soldiers, who visited the cafe owned by one of them, for information.

A raid on the premises brought to light a map and a pistol.

## Damaged Submarine Returns To Port

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

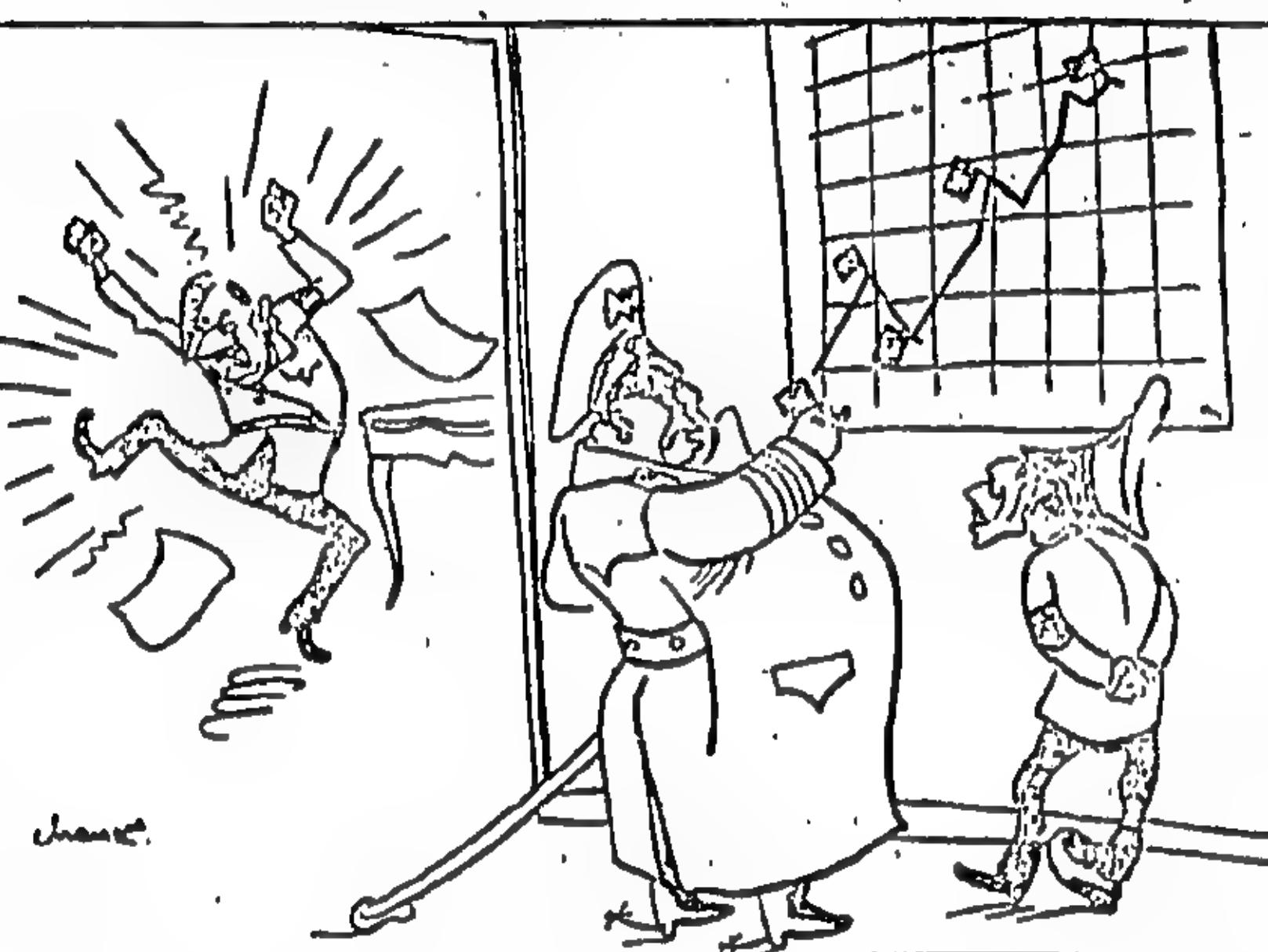
WASHINGTON, Dec. 13 (UP).—The Navy Department said the new submarine *Sea Dragon*, which shipped water through a hatch while making her trial runs, is proceeding to the Portsmouth Navy Yard for inspection and repairs. The damage is said to be slight.

of using Norwegian territorial waters.

## Another Ship Escapes

LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter).—The Norddeutscher Lloyd announces the safe arrival of the liner *Bremen* at Bremerhaven, and it is claimed that another German liner, *New York*, has reached Hamburg from Murmansk.

## Common Allied 'Empire' To Fight Menace Of Nazi Domination



## Anglo-Turkish Treaty

MOSCOW, Dec. 14 (UP).—Russia is now alleging that there are several secret clauses in the Pact of Mutual Assistance between Turkey, Great Britain and France.

Among these is a clause providing for the organisation of an anti-Soviet army in Turkey.

The army, Russian sources claim, will be under the command of the French world war veteran, General Petain.

It will comprise 400,000 Frenchmen, 80,000 Britons and half a million Turks.

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COME ONE — COME ALL!

LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter).—The new monetary and economic agreement between Great Britain and France, which in effect pools the resources of the Allies for the duration of the war and until six months afterwards, is welcomed by the British Press as a step that welds the last link in Allied unity.

The "Times": "This agreement, together with other agreements, shows that there is now more than an alliance between the two countries. Measures such as this are the right way to reply to the boasting of Walther Funk, the Nazi Minister of Finance."

The "Daily Telegraph": "There could hardly be stronger proof of the community of performance by Great Britain and France."

The British Press also expresses great satisfaction at the report in the House of Commons yesterday by the Minister for Air Sir Kingsley Wood.

The "News-Chronicle", however, points out that we have a long way to go before we can establish that overwhelming superiority over the Nazi air force which is essential for our safety and victory.

The paper hopes that Sir Kingsley Wood will be able to give the public more information about Britain's air activity.

"Manchester Guardian" leader points out that in the Anglo-French financial agreement one thing missing from the comprehensive economic agreement of November 17 gives the lie to the German legend that the interests of the Allies are separate and to the propaganda seeking to divide them.

It is worth emphasising—Paragraph 9 which states that the two governments will share certain items of expenditure.

"The contribution of the two governments is fixed on a basis to take due account of the national wealth" of each.

"In general the French contribution is 40 per cent, and the British 60 per cent of the total."

The intimate co-operation of the Allied Governments is supplemented by the close bonds of organised labour as illustrated by the first meeting in Paris to-morrow of the joint Anglo-French Trade Union Council, representing 10,000,000 Allied workers.

Reparation Of Capital  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

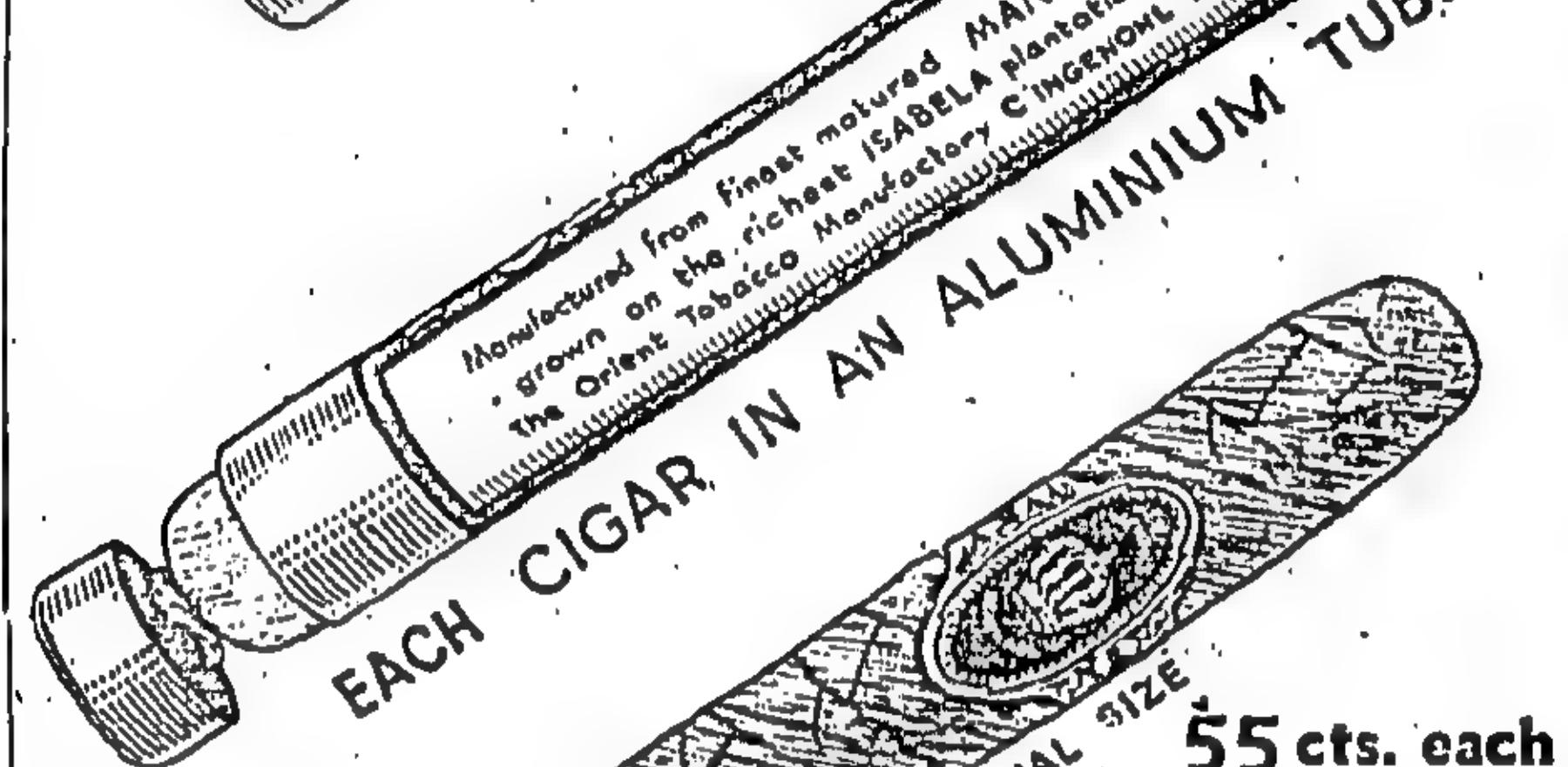
PARIS, Dec. 13.—The "Official Journal" has published a modification of the decree covering French bank accounts and financial holdings abroad. Originally all French citizens abroad were required to declare such holdings by December 1. The time has now been extended to January 15, 1940.

The Ministry of Finance explained the move was caused by a fear the premature closing date would interrupt a heavy return of capital to France. Most of the capital could not be raised without a long, difficult process of checking accounts and instituting legal proceedings.

A joint report by Premier Daladier and Finance Minister, M. Paul Reynaud, to President Lebrun recently stated that the "reparation of capital since September 10 has grown so greatly that reserves have enabled the country to meet all foreign expenditures of the government thus far in the war."

## Swiss President Elected

BERNE, Dec. 13 (Reuter).—Dr. Marcel Pilet-Golaz, the retiring vice-President of the Swiss Confederation for 1940 by the Federal Assembly,

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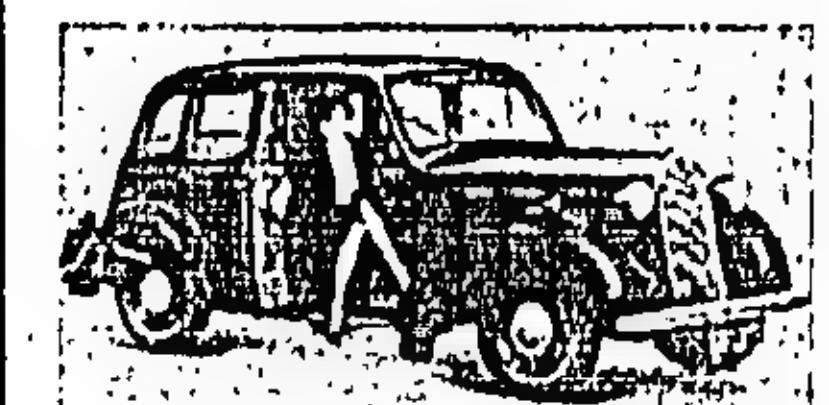
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## War On Finland

It has only needed the League of Nations to complete the history of one of the most remarkable voice factors in history—the swing from all the pretty, fine ideas about resistance to aggression which Russia had for some years championed—and complained that we others did not sufficiently support.

The pact with Germany and the quickly succeeding invasion is naked expediency regardless of all right and wrong. Germany's war is Russia's opportunity. Russia desires Finnish territory for her own purposes. Therefore Finland's independence and integrity must be destroyed; she must be ruthlessly invaded; shells and bombs must be dropped on her peaceful towns. Thus the new Russia demonstrates the principles of her policy towards the small countries, towards the rules of international law and honest dealing, "with particular force."

Russia desires to secure herself against attack both on the Black Sea front and in the Baltic. She says that she fears for Leningrad; she is determined to make herself mistress as indeed she is already, of the Gulf of Finland and hence of the whole Eastern Baltic. For this purpose she forced concessions from the Baltic States, which control the southern approaches to the Gulf. In the process, however, smooth her words, she broke their independence; they are without powerful friends, they are completely at her mercy. Finland was of tougher stuff. Throughout the long negotiations that ended a few weeks ago she was conciliatory but firm. On some things she would yield but she would surrender nothing that could be used to destroy her independent life; she would not concede a base on her own mainland nor abandon the fortified positions opposite Leningrad on which her own defence depends. Therefore Russia, having determined to get her way even at the cost of war, has during the last ten days sought to make out a "case" against the victim. The model was Nazi, the imitation poor. The Finnish people number three and a half millions, which is about the size of Leningrad; the Russians are more than 150,000,000. But the Finns, it seems, were picturing to make war on mighty Russia. What is more, they were brutally attacking the Russian Army along the frontier. And, everywhere that Britain went the lamb was sure to go. This being the official nursery tale, all the attempts of Finland to offer peaceful measures were rejected out of hand. The frontier disputes could have been investigated, arbitration could have been invoked. Finland offered both and was refused. The United States was ready to mediate and said so; that escape also from the brutality of war was rejected at Moscow. History does not contain a clearer case of "unprovoked aggression."

Each of the thirty-odd men who compose the Section is working in conjunction with and is dependent on the collective action of the others. An error by one nullifies the work of the others, and the results are shown mainly on team-work.

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## The King IS 44 To-day

## HERE IS HIS BIRTHDAY HOROSCOPE:

King George the Sixth was born at five past three in the morning on December 14, 1895. Libra was rising in his birth chart, giving him an even temperament, a strong sense of justice, and a well-balanced mind.

At his birth Jupiter, his ruling planet, was on the meridian, a very fortunate augury for people born at that time.

Sagittarians (and the King appears to be a typical subject) are independent people, instinctively on the side of the down-trodden and oppressed, and they can be very outspoken too when their feelings are roused.

The sun and Mercury in the King's sign bestow a democratic and philanthropic outlook.

# The 5th A. A. Has Its Baptism

"ACTION . . . PLANE . . . Height control" roars the R.A.F. plane. We were, in a pearing within effective area of way, fortunate in the weather, the target, for it was bright and warm, but the cloudless sky did not make it easier for the "spotting" of the target.

In the concentration of our tasks, most of us were able to semi-disregard the disconcerting noises issuing from the guns.

The Regulars again fired first.

With our ears wadded with cotton wool, the first almost ear-splitting crack of the real stuff distinctly shook us. Flame and cordite smoke erupted from the muzzle for about three yards. The ground heaved slightly (we were on sand), the report made our eyes blink, and the wave of air from the explosion all but rocked us on our feet.

The worst, however, was over. Succeeding reports grew proportionately less alarming, until by the time for our turn at the guns; all signs of flinching were gone.

I am one of the Predictor detachment myself, and am stationed some twenty yards to the rear of the guns. At that moment I entertained a sympathetic regard and a certain admiration for the Gunners who were to sit on the guns and actually send those shells to their destination. But, I was later informed that my sympathy was wasted for the concussion of the earth and the waves of air were not felt by the Gun numbers, while the explosion was hardly greater when twenty yards nearer the gun.

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Spirited "Fight Or Negotiate" Debate In House Of Lords

## VISCOUNT HALIFAX REPLIES TO THE PACIFISTS

LONDON, Dec. 13 (British Wireless).—The offer made some time ago by the Queen of the Netherlands and the King of the Belgians of their mediatory offices and subsequently rejected by the German Government was recalled in the House of Lords' debate to-day initiated by Lord Darnley, with the support of Lord Arnold, who has consistently criticised the policy of resistance to aggression for several years on pacifist grounds.

Lord Balfour of Burleigh summed up the attitudes of these two speakers as "War settles nothing—lets try for compromise".

### BRITAIN BUYS 200 AMERICAN BOMBERS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Dec. 13, (Reuter).—It is authoritatively learned that the Lockheed Aircraft Corporation has signed an agreement with the British Government for 200 reconnaissance bombers.

The order is stated to total \$20,000,000.

### DARDANUS HELD UP

#### To Be Repaired At Fort Bayard

The Imperial Plane Dardanus which was shot down by the Japanese in Welchow Island last month, will not be arriving back in Hongkong this afternoon as was expected.

The plane was reported and flown to Fort Bayard yesterday from where it was expected to take off for Hongkong to-day. It has been found, however, that further repairs are necessary before one can complete the journey.

Imperial Airways announced this morning that an engineer and spare parts will be sent down to Fort Bayard from Hongkong as soon as possible, and it is uncertain when the plane will be able to get back to the Colony.

#### Mail Plane Delayed

The usual mid-week Imperial air mail has been delayed 24 hours and will not arrive at Kai Tak this afternoon, it was announced by Imperial Airways this morning.

The plane is expected to arrive tomorrow about 4 p.m.

### First Secret Session Of The War

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Dec. 13 (UP).—For the first time since the Great War, the House of Commons met to-day in secret session.

The session—a record of which will not be kept—was called in secret at the request of the Opposition, which has brought forward criticism of the Government's organisation of supplies to the armed forces.

All strangers were ordered to withdraw from the House at 4 p.m., when the secret session commenced, and all entrances and exits to the Chamber were barred.

Not even newspaper representatives were admitted to the Chamber during the session, the only non-members present being the four Sergeants-at-Arms, who were clad in their centuries-old costumes.

During the Great War, the House of Commons met seven times in secret session. The last occasion was on January 18, 1918.

### CONTRIBUTIONS TO WAR CHEST

LONDON, Dec. 13 (British Wireless).—Contributions in money and kind to the cause of the Empire in the war still continue to arrive from subjects of His Majesty in every quarter of the British Commonwealth of Nations, and from dependencies and also from the British communities in many foreign lands.

Notable among the latter is the patriotic fund raised by the British community in Argentina, which now amounts to approximately £10,000, either paid already or promised before October 31, 1940.

A woman, Chan Chuen, 47, of Wanchai Road, was knocked down in Hennessy Road yesterday by a military lorry driven by Spr. Jones. She was taken to the Queen Mary Hospital.

Thursday, HONGKONG TELEGRAPH December 14, 1939.

ALL CORRECT

Chinese Take Offensive On All Fronts

## Yangtse Valley As Battleground

LATEST dispatches indicate that offensives and positive military actions have been adopted on all fronts since yesterday, states a "United Press" message from Chungking to-day.

The long offensive front in the Yangtse Valley stretches from the Han River eastward on Chungkiang, in South Hupeh; southward on Puchi, in Northern Kiangsi; and northward on Fenghsien, in Wuning.

Chinese military authorities have confirmed that Chinese troops have recaptured Chungking and Yangtse, and that they are still holding them.

They state that the new Fourth Army and the Eighth Route Army have also been instructed to launch offensives in the Nanking areas and in Shensi simultaneously.

Chinese troops at Chungkiang, Shensi, and the Yenkiang-Nanning zone of Liuching made surprise attacks at the same time.

Observers say that the attacks were made on the orders of the High Command and are a prelude to the long-planned general counter-offensive.

#### Successes In North

Further Chinese successes in the north are reported by "Central News."

It is stated that a sweeping Chinese victory was scored near Chuhien, 50 miles north-east of Lint, in South Shensi, a few days ago. The Japanese at Chuhien launched a vigorous southward drive under cover of fierce artillery fire, but the Chinese, while engaging the enemy on the main front, sent a detachment to the enemy's rear.

Following two days of fighting, the Japanese were practically annihilated, Chinese sources claim.

A Fancheng report states that breaking a seven-month stalemate since last May, Chinese forces in North Hupeh launched an offensive on Tuesday.

According to military despatches to hand, they have made unexpectedly speedy progress and recaptured several strategic points.

#### Guerrillas Active

In the south increasing Chinese guerrilla activity behind the Japanese lines in Kwangsi is reported. Tengchou, about 20 miles south of Nanning, was wrested back on Sunday night.

Guerrillas are moving about freely in the Sap Man Tai Shan range, cutting Japanese communication lines and ambushing Japanese transport units.

A "Domei" report from Canton this morning states that Japanese forces in South China during November encountered 41,000 Chinese troops of whom 9,000 have been slain and 1,000 have been taken prisoners.

Another message reports that Japanese military aircraft yesterday morning bombed the Chinese military base at Kien in Chekiang Province and destroyed the headquarters of the Chinese peace preservation forces in Chekiang and the headquarters of the Chinese 10th Group Army.

Concentrations of Chinese troops near the city were also bombed, the base officials announced.

The signatures on the mortgages, purported to be those of the plaintiffs, were, in his opinion, different from those written by them in Court.

#### Not Good Imitation

Witness then described the difference in strokes and said that if the signatures on the mortgages were intended to be an imitation of the genuine ones, they were not very good.

Questioned by Mr. Sheldon, witness said the signatures of Chan Kien on the cheques produced were not done by the same hand which wrote the signature on the assignment deed, although one of them bore the same characteristics and significance. The signatures on the cheques, however, were made by the same hand.

Mr. Sheldon: Isn't it odd then that the man who wrote the signatures on the cheques should have, in one case, the same characteristics and significance as that on the assignment deed, and not the other? Style may be followed by others but not necessarily by the same person. Maybe, this was done with the intention of imitating. The similarity seems to me to be accidental.

The case is proceeding.

### NORWAY'S GIFTS TO FINNS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

OSLO, Dec. 13 (Reuter).—Norwegians subscriptions to Finland now exceed 1,000,000 kroner.

Norway is also sending Finland a fully equipped ambulance with four surgeons and ten nurses.

About 200 volunteers have applied to join the Finnish forces.

#### CAR STOLEN

A Morris saloon car, No. 2003, valued at \$2,000, and belonging to Miss Kwek Chuen-chung, of 99 Robinson Road, was stolen from containing Masonic regalia valued at \$150.



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### SOVIET ENVOY RETURNS HOME

#### Without Presenting His Credentials

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, Dec. 13 (UP).—Russia's new Ambassador to Rome, M. Nicholas Gorkin, has suddenly returned to Moscow without presenting his credentials.

The reason for his departure appears a strict secret. No quarters whatever, either Italian or Soviet, will comment.

It is reliably reported that Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, received M. Gorkin shortly before his departure for Moscow. It is understood that the Ambassador received a telephone summons from Moscow on Monday night.

The new Ambassador arrived in Rome just prior to the Russian invasion of Finland. His credentials are reputed to have been given to the Emperor of Ethiopia, King of Abyssinia, and King of Italy.

It is not known whether there is any connection between his departure and the recent anti-Communist demonstrations in Rome.

### British Coast Not Bombed

LONDON, Dec. 13 (British Wireless).—Asked in the House of Commons at question time whether instances had occurred of the bombardment of any places in the British Isles by enemy submarines or surface vessels, the Parliamentary Secretary of the Admiralty replied: "No."

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It is stated that they will be handed to the Japanese authorities upon request.

### ASSAULT ON BRITON

SHANGHAI, Dec. 14, (Reuter).—Sergeant King, a Briton, of the Shanghai Municipal Police, in the course of his duties last night in the Shanghai Central District, near the Sincere's Department Store, was assaulted and beaten up by several Japanese.

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### NAZI GOODS FOR BALTIC STATES

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KAUNAS, Dec. 13 (Reuter).—Germany is making the greatest efforts to increase her exports to the Baltic states, following the institution of the Allied stoppage of her overseas experts.

Lithuania is inundated with offers of German goods.

Mr. A. E. Wade, of 220 Prince Edward Road, reported to the Police yesterday that he either lost or had stolen from his car between Tsimshui and his residence, a case containing Masonic regalia valued at \$150.

HANOI, Dec. 13 (Domei).—The Japanese monoplane "Yamato," which has stopped here for three days on its way back home from Bangkok, left here for Canton at 8 o'clock this morning.

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## "Pilgrim's" Hockey Notes

# CHARITY GAMES AT KING'S PARK

### High Standards In Games To Aid British War Organisation Fund

GENIAL WEATHER was associated with the Mainland v. Island women's match at King's Park last Sunday in aid of the British War Organisation Fund. The result of the game—Mainland 2, Island 1—was in keeping with my expectation. Moreover, the game was contested at a furious pace, and very even.

There was no score in the first half, but the Island might well have done so had their inside forwards, Mrs. Gardiner and Mrs. Dalziel, not been unlucky or had followed up with more speed and dash. The scoring of the first goal by Miss Purves, in the second half, however, gave them a strong pull, and Mainland supporters have elevated their eyebrows.

Up to this period the Mainland halves were very unscattered—the usual big game excitement, mis-hitting, half hitting and plenty of over anxiety. Soon after, the Mainland attack came into their own, and the forwards showed far more activity in their short passing.

Miss D. McCaw, Miss Harker and Miss Marr, tipped the ball from stick to stick quickly, and the halves participated in the rapid, following-up. Miss Marr, who is no fleet of foot, got well past Mrs. Strange, and tapped the ball to Miss Harker, who in turn flushed it across the goal-mouth. Miss H. Reid dashed in and placed the ball magnificently into the net to equalise. After their brilliant start, the pace set by the Island forwards slowed down a lot in the last half as was to be anticipated, and though they frequently worked the ball up to the circle, their efforts were frustrated either by Miss G. White and Mrs. Gilmott, or checked by a save from Miss June Hall, who did really well for her first big match.

#### THE WINNING GOAL

THIS lack of sting amongst the Island forwards in the final stages was noticeable, whilst on the other hand the Mainland attack, who worked with more thrust and dash, eventually obtained the winning goal. Miss Marr again took possession and sent a nice pass in to Miss D. McCaw, the latter tested Mrs. Lunson with a full-blooded drive, which was well stopped—the ever-ready Miss Reid once again dashed through to give her side victory, before Mrs. Lunson could recover.

#### Prominent Features Of The Game

MISS K. POCOCK gave a bright display at centre-half for the Island, she tackled splendidly, and fed her forwards with nice flick passes. The wing halves, Mrs. Stone and Miss B. Greaves, were great spoilers, with Mrs. Stone the better of the two. Miss E. Gray was the best back on view, her defence was so sound that in Services' quarters she was termed Hongkong's Maginot Line. Mrs.

#### Hockey Association Council Meeting

A Council Meeting of the Hongkong Hockey Association will be held at St. Andrew's Church Hall this afternoon at 6 p.m. A full attendance of members is requested.

Strange was also well in the picture. I would say the Island defence was in top form.

There seemed to be less steadiness amongst the Mainland halves. In the first half when the Island attacking pressure was at its height, the wing halves, Miss M. McCaw and Miss J. Wong, became rather agitated. With Miss I. Woolley playing constructively, they improved perceptibly, however, in the second half. Mrs. Wilnott was the best of the backs. Of the forwards, Miss D. McCaw was fast and bustling in the centre and Miss Harker and Miss Marr combined exceedingly well on the right flank. Miss H. Reid and Miss M. Shand on the left did as well as could be expected. Both

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#### Rugby Football

## ROYAL SCOTS BEAT CLUB



L. Hook (Services) steering the ball away from Gurbachan Singh (Civilians) in the charity hockey match in aid of the B.W.O.F. at King's Park last Sunday. The match was drawn 2-2.—Ming Yuen.

now got right in their stride. Then came their first goal.

It was an opening by W. A. Reed that gave E. Fowler his chance to score, and he made no mistake. The Civilians still forced their attacks; they were continually pressing, and giving the Services' defence active employment. Pyara Singh, this time, sent S. A. Fowler through to give the Civilians a 2-1 lead.

Services' towards the end came back with a spirited attack, and Pritam Nath equalised with a soft goal, when Benwell completely missed the ball.

The Services were hard pressed, and defending strongly when the final whistle went.

#### Comments Of Players

THE Civilian backs, Bond and Gonsalves, were sound. The former was fast in his tackling and hit hard and cleanly. W. A. Reed, the old General-at-centre-half, Mrs. Wilnott was the best of the backs. Of the forwards, Miss D. McCaw was fast and bustling in the centre and Miss Harker and Miss Marr combined exceedingly well on the right flank. Miss H. Reid and Miss M. Shand on the left did as well as could be expected. Both

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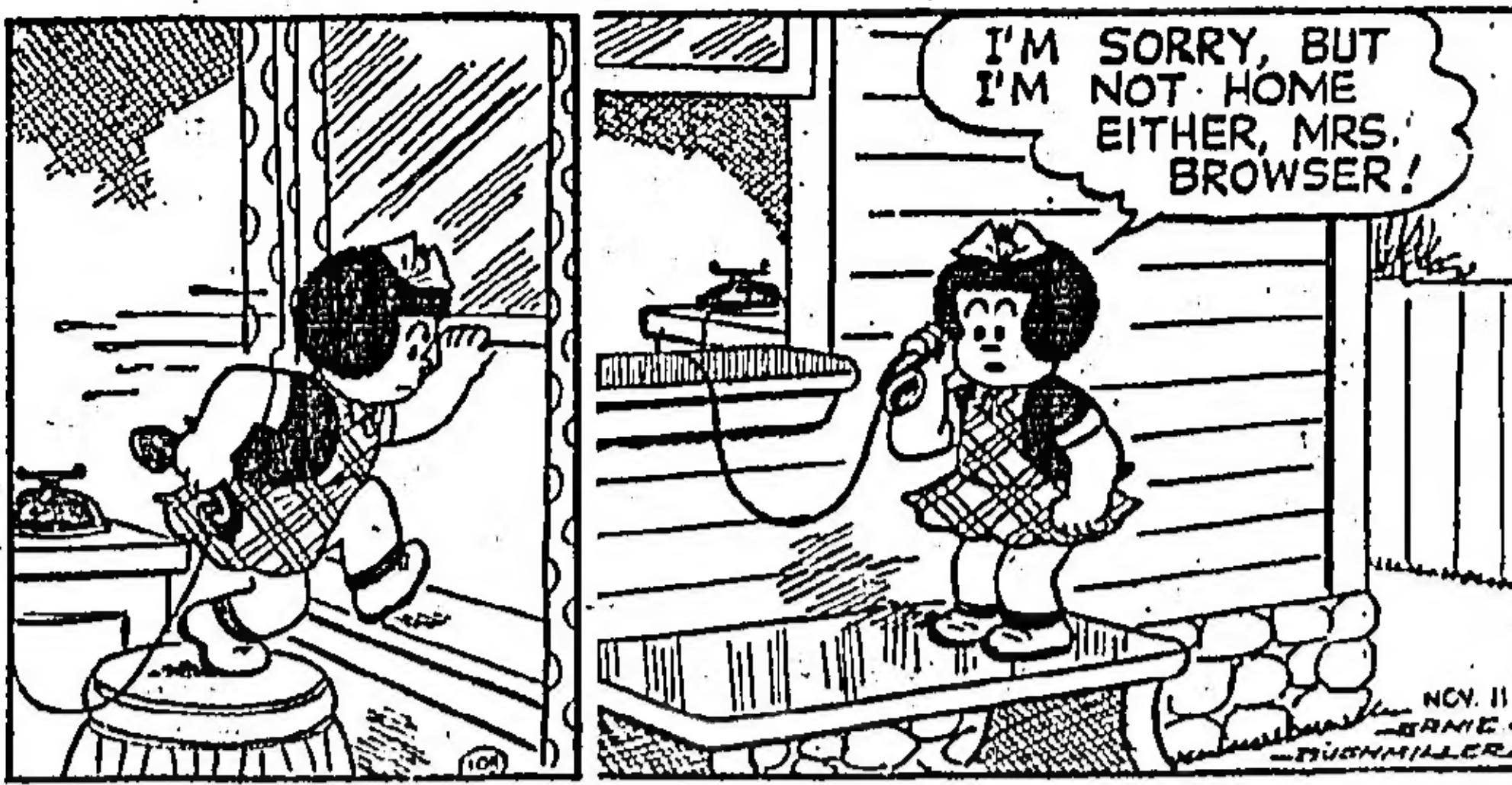
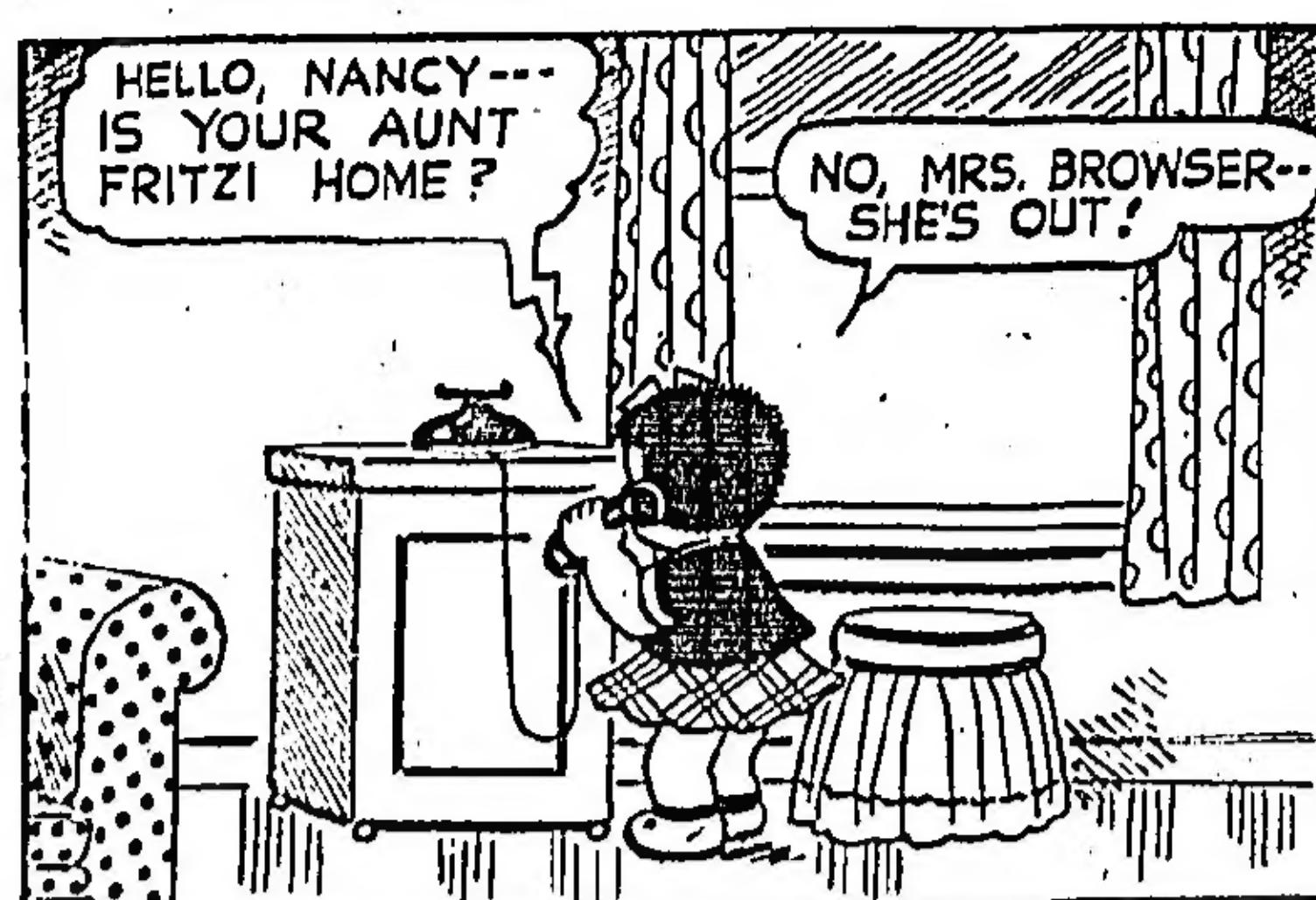
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## NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

Short-sighted Old' Lady:  
"Have you ever tried giving  
your baby Dill Water?"



SWASTIK AND SIEGFRIED

"It is goot, it is goot, again we sink the Ark Royal, the Hood, the Repulse and the Rodney."

"Ach, Siegfried, the swinedog British must have three of each!"

## Finns Seek To Break Soviet Lines

## PREPARATIONS FOR COUNTER-ATTACKS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINKI, Dec. 13 (UP).—Reinforcements have been rushed to the eastern and central fronts. Military officials indicate that preparations are being made for a determined stand to stall the Russian drive towards the Gulf of Bothnia.

The withdrawal of Finnish troops from the central front is designed to draw the Russians out of their position in preparation for counter-attacks.

Despatches from Copenhagen said the counter-attacks have already started with some success in the Salla sector, on the northern wing of the central front.

There is no indication of diminution of confidence in the main defence lines on the Karelian Isthmus or on the eastern front, despite reports that Russia has moved up huge reinforcements.

The Finns claim that they are subjecting the invaders to devastating fire as they try to advance towards the Gulf of Bothnia across the open country and through unfamiliar forests.

Although the Finns claimed heavy Russian losses to far, no Finnish casualty list has been published. The Finnish spokesman explained, "It would be nice; none would believe that the losses have been so small."

The Finns claimed an important victory in mid-Finland, where they are trying to stall the Russians (They

## WESTERN FRONT

## ARTILLERY EXCHANGE

## Sudden Activity In Several Areas

PARIS, Dec. 13 (Reuter).—After a spell of comparative calm, the Western Front has suddenly become very active, although the activity has not yet gone beyond the stage technically known as "strong patrols."

The Germans sent out numerous patrols along nearly the whole front on Monday, and these were especially busy east of the Moselle and between the Warden Forest and the Saar.

In the latter region, where German patrols were most numerous, there were no less than three raids accompanied by the usual artillery.

Fire was aimed to demoralise the posts attacked and to prevent the arrival of reinforcements.

The French artillery replied with artillery fire, hampering the attackers.

One French patrol withdrew but re-occupied the post at dawn yesterday, so the net German result is nil.

Other posts resisted, and there was heavy local fighting with much hand-to-hand throwing.

The French protected their posts with artillery barrages and machine gun fire, and the German eventually were obliged to retire, leaving many dead on the field.

## Furious Fighting

LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter).—Although it is obvious that the Soviet forces in the far-North and in the south are being strongly held, the position in the centre is far from clear.

Soviet troops are making a determined effort with mechanised columns to cut Finland in two at the narrowest part by driving through to the Gulf of Bothnia.

Rome and Swedish reports say that there is furious fighting at a point 130 miles from the Soviet frontier, but the reports are not believed in Helsinki, where it is said that such a rapid advance across trackless waste is "out of the question."

Finnish planes have been very active, and 12 miles of railway on the main line from Murmansk to Leningrad have been destroyed by bombs.

British Planes For Finns  
LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter).—Sir Kingsley Wood, the Minister for Air, announced in the House of Commons to-day that the British Government has decided to grant export licences to a British firm to enable it to send aircraft to Finland.

Appeal For Gas Masks  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 14 (Reuter).—The Finnish Government is requesting permission of the United States to use the U.S. Army's latest gas-masks.

The masks are still on the secret list.

Finnish Claims  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
HELSINKI, Dec. 13 (UP).—A Finnish communiqué states: "On the sea in the Kolvisto sector, our coastal batteries again lent aid to the land forces by concentrated bursts of artillery fire."

"On Lake Ladoga, our coast batteries broke up enemy detachments along the coast roads."

"In the Suomussalmi section, coastal batteries also drove back an enemy transport and ship detachments."

Russians Take Island

ROME, Dec. 13 (Reuter).—According to a Helsinki telegram, the Russians have occupied the island of Mausari in Lake Ladoga, but their progress in the Karelian front is insignificant.

The Finns are still holding Suomussalmi, about 17 miles from the frontier in Finland's "wasp-waist," despite repeated Russian attacks.

According to the telegram, the Russians are desperately trying to cut Finland in two and sever her communications with Sweden.

Danger Of New War  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter).—Cheers greeted Sir Kingsley Wood's statement that the Government had

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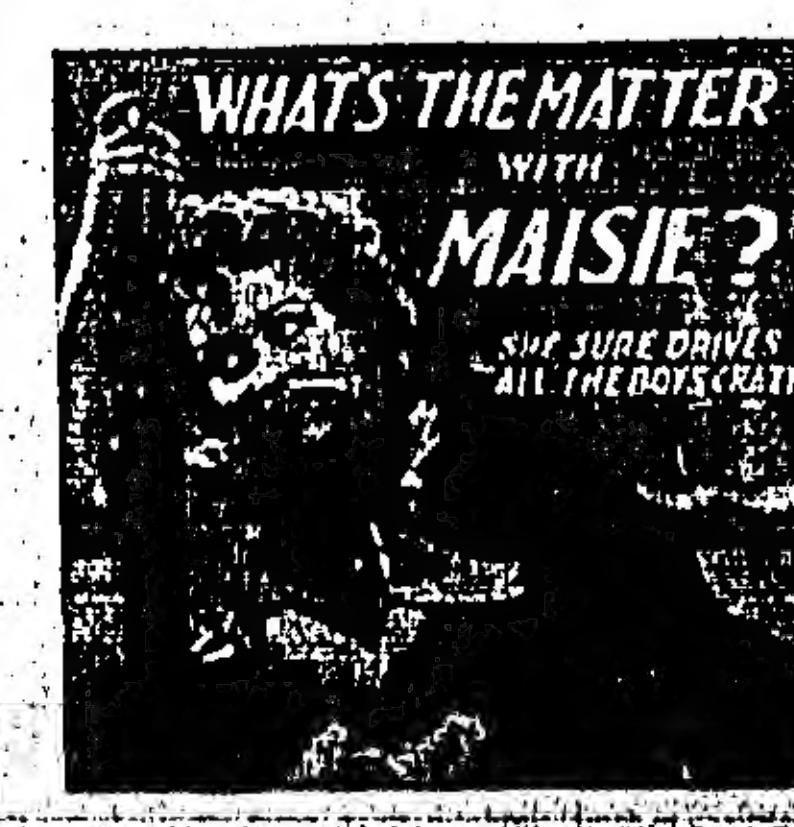
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You want your gifts to reflect sound judgment, to show your friends that you know exactly what is likely to please them most. And certainly you are not going to jeopardise this fine resolution by leaving matters to the last moment.

It that is the spirit in which you address yourself to the annual problem of gift buying, you will be open to ideas from every quarter.

The first suggestion is to try to put yourself in the place of each one of the recipients in turn.

If you were in his (or her) shoes what would you appreciate most?

Here you have to take into account such things as temperament, domestic circumstances, hobbies and other interests.

**THINK... LOOK... CHOOSE**

It is quite impossible to give a list of all the items likely to fit best into your list of Christmas gifts until all these considerations have been duly weighed.

A good plan is to begin, as suggested, by thinking of likely personal needs. Nearly everyone to whom you wish to give a Christmas present is one that you know well, and the only difficulty is when people seem to have everything they need.

Still, there may be something they could do with in the home or garden, or, failing this, you will have to seek inspiration from the new season's novelties.

When you have taxed your imagination to the full, go out to the shops and stores and see the thousand and one attractive and useful items which had not occurred to you. Make a note of some of the brightest ideas which you are able to spot in the window and counter displays.

There are so many you cannot the thought behind the gift that deal more appreciated, especially if it is the type of article likely to last first reconnoitre; though, incidentally—How often that truth is misinterpreted and become a treasured possession.

#### A Page of Bright Ideas to Help You Solve Your Present Problems.

It is already getting late for these preliminaries.

There are only two more weeks for gift buying and you can disregard next week if you intend to complete your purchases while the best selection still remains.

Do not forget that the solution to many a vexing problem for the Christmas gift buyer is to select something for the family. This may be in the nature of furniture, an indoor game, or some labour-saving contrivance.

Again, why not something really seasonal? Nothing more obvious, perhaps, yet what could be more acceptable to any household than a Christmas hamper of good things to eat and drink?

**A GIFT YOU WOULD LIKE**

Think how much you yourself would appreciate such a gift, say a case of wines or spirit, to help you out with the entertaining you are sure to be doing over the holiday and the New Year.

One important hint to every gift buyer is to remember that it is the ordinary and likely to be a great gift that deals more appreciated, especially if it is the type of article likely to last.

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preted to mean that any gift will do!

No. Where is the thought behind the Christmas present obviously bought in the last minute in a rush and posted too late to arrive in time?

The best days of all for gift buying are those of the coming week when you have the widest pick and can make a leisurely selection with no scramble to mar the pleasure of it all.

#### SUGGESTIONS CLOSE AT HAND

And the best time for reflection is to-day, when you should be able to find a few spare minutes to sit down quietly with pencil and paper and make a list of all the people to whom you would like to give a Christmas present.

Almost everyone throughout the country will, in fact, be doing this. If there is anything in mental telepathy the other will be full of bright ideas. So put yourself in a right good generous frame of mind and "tune in."

But do not overlook the helpful suggestions that are placed before your very eyes in this page.

Here you will see how easy it really is to depart from the more conventional form of Christmas gifts and select something a little out of the ordinary.

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3. PLACE THE TURKEY SO THAT THE NECK IS TO YOUR LEFT AND THE "TAIL" TO YOUR RIGHT.

4. START CARVING ON THE SIDE FACING YOU. CUT ONE LEG WORKING FROM THE EDGE OF THE BODY, GENTLY FORCING THE FLESH AWAY.

5. NOW THE WING, INSERT THE FORK ACROSS THE TOP OF THE MEAT ON EACH PLATE. TEARING THE BREAST MEAT, AND SHARPLY SEVER THE WING FROM THE BODY WITH THE KNIFE.

6. REPLACE THE FORK OVER THE TOP OF THE BREASTBONE, SHOULD BE CARVED MORE FINELY THAN THE WHITE AND START TO CARVE THE THICKLY THAN THE WHITE, TO SERVE WITH THE WHITE, TO EVERYONE.

7. HAVING CARVED PRACTICALLY ALL THE MEAT FROM ONE SIDE OF THE BODY, PLACE A SERVING OF STUFFING WITH

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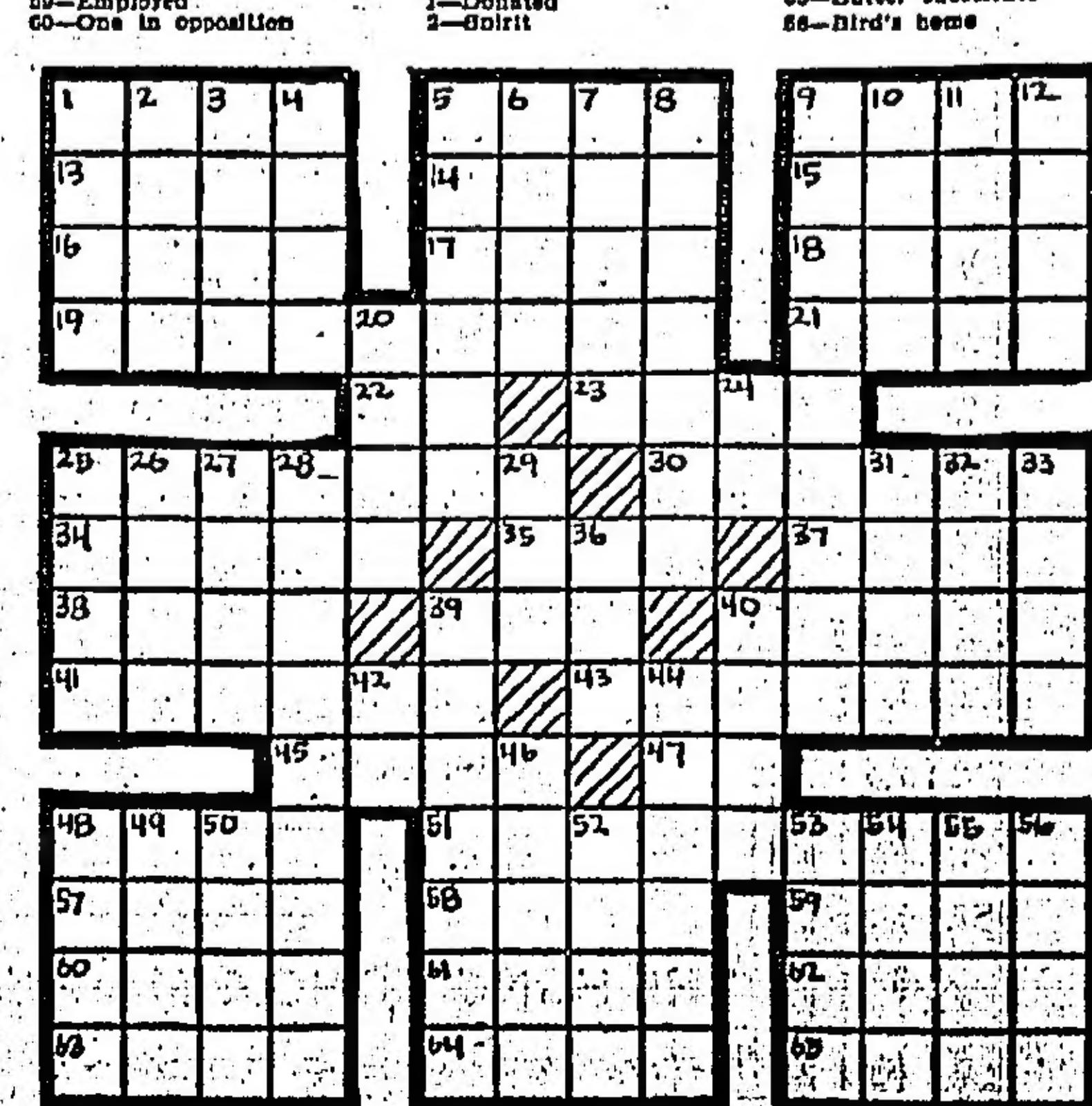
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3—Eccentric pieces of furniture	4—Middle of the song
5—American fraternal order	6—Staff—long insular
7—To sheltered sides	8—Panorama
9—Fruit of pine	10—Fruit of the tree—center
11—Of large extent	12—Intermission
13—Common black bird	14—Speed
15—Common, as idea	16—Flock
17—Metric measure	18—Mental disease
19—Arithmetical middle	20—Dreadful
21—Portcullis	22—Mental condition
23—Common, as idea	24—At any time
25—Common, as idea	26—To grant
26—Common, as idea	27—Foolish
27—Producing motion	28—Moral
28—Cloth of wax fiber	29—Moral
29—Delightful (slang)	30—Foolish
30—Coated, as wax	31—Foolish
31—Common, as idea	32—Foolish
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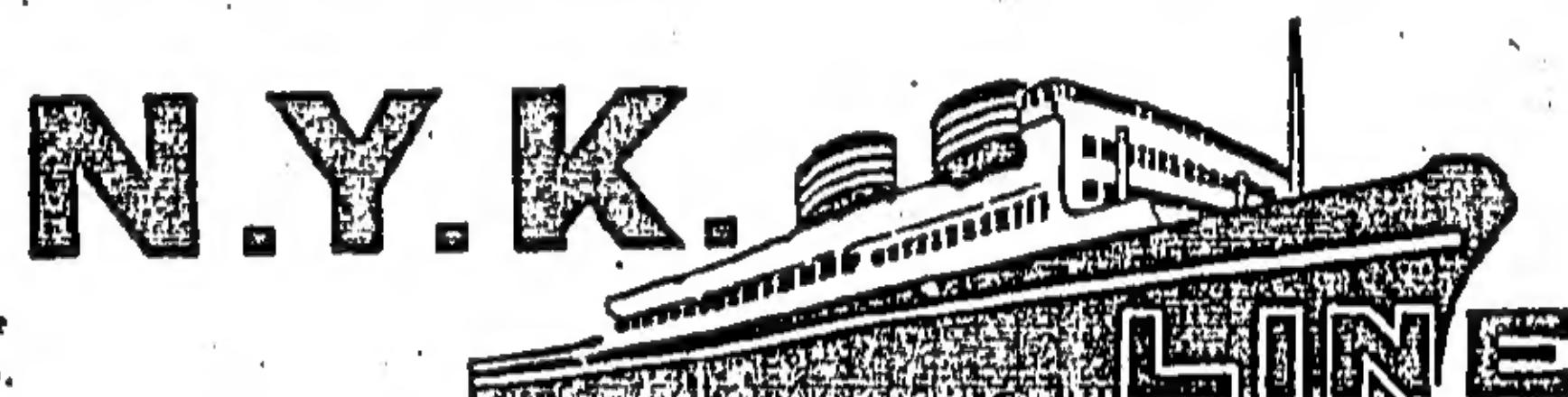
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## Swedish Govt's Important Decision

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## Breach Action Withdrawn

### Plaintiff Does Not Proceed With Case

When the breach of promise case instituted by Molly Cheung came up before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell in the Summary Court this morning, the prosecuting solicitor applied for a withdrawal of the case.

Plaintiff claimed \$1,000 damages, alleging failure on the part of defendant, to carry out a promise to marry her following the birth of a child.

Mr. M. A. da Silva acted for plaintiff and Mr. F. E. Nash for defendant. Previously, Mr. da Silva said the case was founded on three promises of marriage dating back to May, 1937.

This morning Mr. Silva addressed His Lordship: I have instructions from my client that this matter has been settled and to apply for a withdrawal of this case. There will be no order for costs.

His Lordship: You morally wish me to record settlement?

Mr. Nash: Withdrawn, my Lord.

His Lordship: Very good. Withdrawn and no order for costs.

## Nazi Finance Setback

### Capital Reserves Now Nearly Exhausted

LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter).—A special commentary issued yesterday states that the "Economist" draws attention to the vast increase in private capital issues in Germany since the outbreak of war.

The total industrial capital issues since the end of August considerably exceed 600,000,000 marks for railways and 100,000,000 marks for the rest of industry. The whole of 1938, private industrial issues only amounted to 107,000,000 marks.

The "Economist" comments that these developments are very important, throwing

Exhausted Reserves  
1.—That the existing reserve capacity of German industry is almost exhausted, especially that of the electricity industry, railway and rolling stock. Renewals, replacements and extensions are so long delayed that it is now unavoidable to divert extensive resources to the large scale capital works;

2.—That the controlled policy of direct State financing of necessary industrial projects has been abandoned.

Nazi extremists are thus defeated and the capital of the market is freed for private industrialists.

## OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"Blonde" (King's): Homely entertainment with an appeal to all types of family audiences. The characters are taken from the famous daily comic strip. Penny Singleton takes the title role with a bit too much of her irreproachable young husband.

"Broadway Musketeers" (Majestic): A divorced melodrama which overcomes boredom by violence. Strip-tease dancer reforms and rich man's wife deserts him and child for a roister. With John Litel, Jean Parker, and Eddie Arnard. Ann Sheridan and Max Willard in "When To-morrow Comes" (Oriental): Return screening of a particularly appealing and entertaining film. Excellent performances by Charles Boyer, Irene Dunne and Barbara O'Neill.

## OUR "Secret Weapon"

### Moral Power Of Good Intentions

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter).

A striking tribute to the work of the Navy and merchant seamen was paid by Lord Chatfield, Minister for the Co-ordination of Defence, speaking in London to-day.

Lord Chatfield said that Germany was trusting not to her army to break the Maginot Line or to her air force to terrify the people of those islands; she was trusting to blockade us into surrender by the illegal use of the submarine and mine.

Going To Fall Again—  
She was going to fall once more. "For us, we have to be grateful to two things—refusal of our merchant seamen to be cowed by brutality and the fighting efficiency of our Navy."

Referring to the "devoted scientists and the technical Navy officers, who in combination, have produced the anti-submarine and other weapons the Navy is 'Wielding' to-day," Lord Chatfield said that a child swimming in shark-infested waters than a submarine approaching British shores to-day.

Foundations Of Victory  
By defeating the efforts of the enemy to stop the use of the seas by the merchantmen of all countries, we are laying the foundations of victory, and so we shall ensure the safe conduct by the Allies of all other military operations."

Lord Chatfield added that if ever there had been the cause of right against wrong, and of good intention against evil intention, surely that was our cause to-day.

That was "our secret weapon"—the incalculable advantage we possess over our enemy, a weapon that Germany has denied and one which she cannot counter or use against us.

"Ministry For The Succour Of Britain"

Lord Chatfield, who is the Minister for the Co-ordination of Defence, also spoke about the work of his department.

He admitted that he was not well-known to the general public and that the Ministry is "almost equally an enigma."

Only a day or so ago, he received a letter addressed to the "Ministry for the Succour of Britain."

He passed it on to—well, he passed it on.

The Ministry, he said, was concerned with collaboration of strategy and politics.

**Close Collaboration**  
There is now such a collaboration through the War Cabinet which sits almost daily.

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Before the war they were in close touch with France, so that when war started they had a Supreme War Council ready to operate instead of taking three years needed during the Great War.

There are Anglo-French staffs working in Whitehall.

He had heard it said "that the war was not started yet." This, he said, was not the view of the sailors.

Germany is trusting in illegal war at sea but "it will fail."

**Halifax Entertained**

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter).

The Spanish Ambassador entertained Lord Halifax at luncheon to-day.

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## THE 5TH A. A. HAS ITS BAPTISM

(Continued from Page 6.)

scopes in the height-finder and predictor.

There is little need to dwell on the routine of Camp. It is well known to most people by now, but in the 5th A. A. Battery, from the Battery Commander down to the lowest Gunner, there was a pleasant atmosphere of comradeship. We were only eighty strong. We messaged together, and there was only one canteen. Never for one moment was there any overwhelming feeling of inferiority.

Our Sergeant Major, S. M. Beddoe, and our "Quarter-Bloke," as Q.M.S. Dudman was affectionately termed by our genial M.O., Capt. Selby, were not the irascible martinet that civilians are led to believe that such officers are. They were, actually, quite the reverse, for no matter how many little items of Camp duty they had on their hands, and there were quite a considerable number, there was always a genial word of advice for the enquirers.

The Government shares the general desire to furnish humanitarian and material help to Finland.

Sweden is also extend co-operation among northern states.

The Government shares the general desire to furnish humanitarian and material help to Finland.

Sweden is not fully satisfied.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
STOCKHOLM, Dec. 13 (Reuter).

There is some criticism in the Swedish press of the new Coalition Government formed by Premier Hansson.

The "Tidningen" says that it is a move to cover up the differences of opinion between Premier Hansson and his Foreign Minister, M. Sandner (who is no longer in the Government).

Many Disappointed

The "Dagens Nyheter" says that many are disappointed that the demand for direct intervention in Finland finds no expression in the policy of the new government.

It should be clear that M. Sandner's departure has no connection with German press attack.

The Government statement notes the wishes of Sweden to help Finland, but puts forward the defence of neutrality as one of the predominant interests of the new cabinet.

Badminton

## King's College Beat K.C.C. In "B" Division

King's College met the Kowloon Cricket Club in a "B" Division fixture yesterday and won by 7 sets to 2.

The scores were:

H. T. Woo and K. L. Lui (King's) beat A. L. Fisher and P. Wynter Blyth 21-7; beat T. C. Kevan and T. A. Madar 21-8; beat E. Curtis and A. Zimmern 21-5.

K. H. Lo and T. Lam (King's) lost to Fisher and Wynter Blyth 14-21; lost to Kevan and Madar 13-21; beat Curtis and Zimmern 21-3.

S. P. Chan and W. M. Cheung (King's) beat Fisher and Wynter Blyth 21-14; beat Kevan and Madar 21-8; beat Curtis and Zimmern 21-2.

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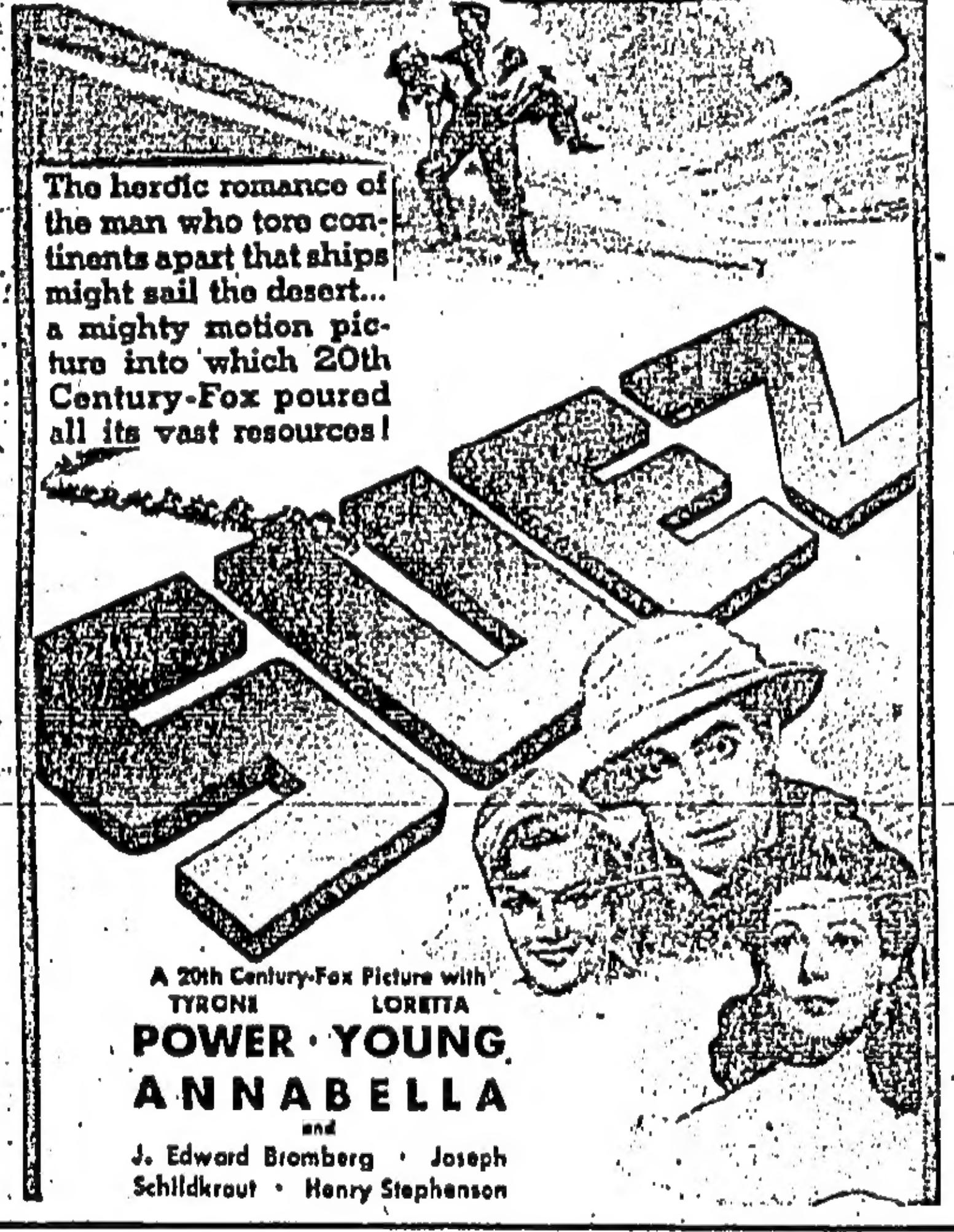
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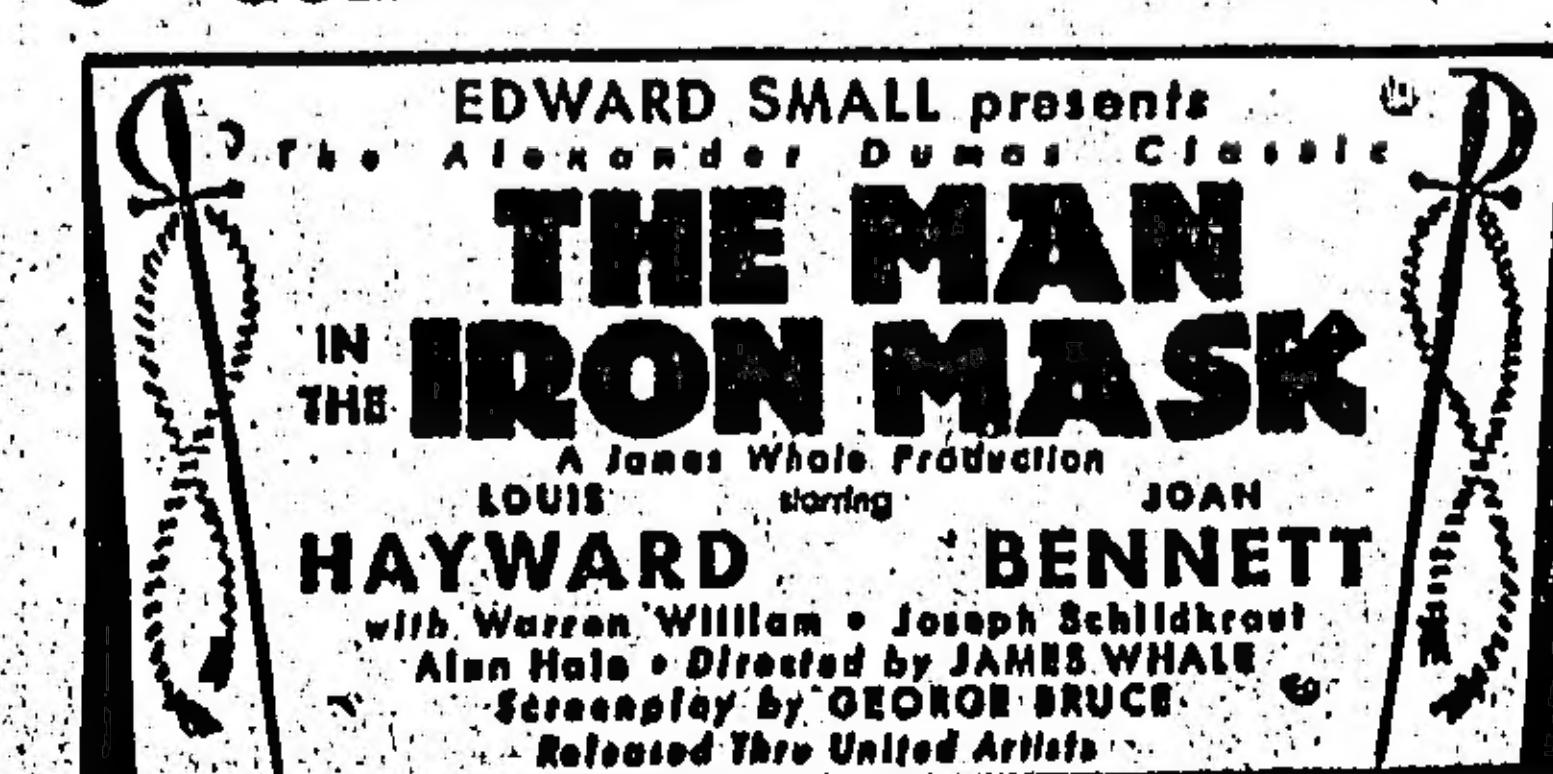
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## Monetary War In Full Swing

### Allies' Advantages Recapitulated

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Dec. 13 (Reuter) — "If the military war is barely outlined, the monetary war is in full swing," said M. Paul Reynaud, the French Finance Minister, addressing the Chamber today.

He added: "The democracies will win, but only at the prices of sacrifices, of which they perhaps have no idea as yet."

But compared with Germany, the sacrifices asked of the French are moderate.

### A Sign For The Future

Dealing with Government measures regarding foreign exchange, M. Reynaud stated that since the beginning of the war, 34 milliard francs had been repatriated and the Exchange Equalization Fund, despite huge purchases abroad, was higher than at the beginning of the war.

Emphasizing the huge resources of the Allies, M. Reynaud asked: "Ought we not to make a real partnership for this great common adventure of war and even think of prolonging it after the war, so that it might be the starting point for a reconstruction eagerly expected by Europe?"

### CHINA LIGHT PROFIT Annual Report Reveals Prosperous Year

The report of the Directors of the China Light and Power Company, Ltd, for the year ended September 30, to be presented at the 21st, ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders at St. George's Building on December 22, states that profit on working account amounts to \$2,045,651. The net profit after deducting transfer fees and allowing for Directors' and Auditors' fees and depreciation is \$1,130,616. With \$104,688 brought forward from last year, there is \$1,241,304 available for appropriation, less \$60,000, being the amount written off the late General Managers' Rights.

The Directors recommend the declaration of a dividend of 60 cents per share on the Old shares and proportionate amounts on the 1939 issue shares, absorbing about \$1,063,495. It is proposed to transfer \$25,000 to contingency reserve and carry forward the balance, amounting to about \$9,810.

The retiring Directors are Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo and Mr. J. P. Braga, who offer themselves for re-election.

### LATE NEWS

## Air Fight Over North Sea

LONDON, Dec. 14 (Reuter) — The Air Ministry announces that two aircraft of the Coastal Command on Wednesday encountered and attacked two Dornier flying boats in the North Sea.

Both the enemy rear gunners were hit and both enemy aircraft damaged by machine-gun fire before disappearing in the clouds.

### Two Nazi Victims Of Submarine

LONDON, Dec. 14 (Reuter) — The Admiralty announces that in the North Sea the same submarine that sighted the Bremen has sunk a U-boat and torpedoed a cruiser.

It also states that the Deptford was torpedoed by U-boat in Norwegian territorial waters—the third case in a few days of violation of Norwegian neutrality by Germany.

### Fighting German Mine-Layers

LONDON, Dec. 14 (Reuter) — It is understood that the security patrol of anti-German mine-laying aircraft is being carried out by long-range powerfully armed bombers which, it is understood, easily repelled German machines which attempted to beat off the raid on Heligoland.

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## COMMUNAL RIOTS

### One Dead And 115 Injured

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NEW DELHI, Dec. 13 (Reuter) — One life has been lost as a result of Monday's communal rioting at Jubulpore, in central India. One hundred and fifteen persons were injured.

A German news agency put out the list of dead as "over one hundred."

Among other wild statements emanating from Zeesen (the Berlin short-wave broad casting station) are allegations regarding working conditions for women, etc.

Women and Zeesen last night, work twelve hours a day in coal mines. In actual fact, women are not permitted to work underground.

Mr. Jinnah's Statement

NEW DELHI, Dec. 13 (Reuter) — Mr. A. Jinnah, leader of the All-India Moslem Party, who is involved in an acute issue with Gandhi at the moment, to-day issued a long statement in which he demanded that the Royal Commission should examine the treatment of minorities in India by the Congress Ministries.

Wants Royal Commission

BOMBAY, Dec. 13 (Reuter) — Mr. M. A. Jinnah, President of the Allied Muslim League, in a lengthy statement reiterating the charges against Congress Ministries in connection with their treatment of minorities, has demanded the appointment of a Royal Commission by the British Government.

This, he added, should be composed of a purely judicial personnel with High Court judges under the chairmanship of one of the Law Lords of the Privy Council.

### Successful Convoying

### Achievements Of The British System

LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter) —

Authoritative circles in London emphasize the efficiency and wide extent of the British convoy system, which gives the protection of powerful units of the British Navy to neutral merchant vessels trading with Britain.

The safe arrival of hundreds of convoyed vessels does not constitute news, precisely because it is not sensational evidence of the strength of the British Navy, but only the normal process of international trade.

Absurd Assertion

The recent sinkings of British and neutral vessels, on the contrary, are of sensational news value used by German propagandists in an attempt to prove that the convoy system is not safe for neutrals, whereas neutral ship-owners, whose ships arrive safely week after week, know this assertion to be absurd.

Neutrals charter their ships to the British Government to travel in convoy because it is easier for German submarines to torpedo unaccompanied ships than to attack a convoy and risking depth charges from the escorting vessels.

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